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- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll welcome you
- 3 all back to our June meeting. Yesterday, we completed 1
- 4 through 27 and we're going to be starting with Item 28
- 5 this morning and completing the meeting today.
- 6 If you wish to speak, there are speaker slips in
- 7 the back and please give them to Ms. Villa. And I ask
- 8 that you please turn off cell phones and pagers. And with
- 9 that, I'll go to ex partes.
- 10 Mr. Eaton.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'm up to date, thank you,
- 12 Madam Chair.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Mr. Jones.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Other than an Email from
- 16 Mike MaHajer, that I think all of the members got this
- 17 morning, I'm up to date.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Oh and Gary Liss, I'm sorry.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll just go
- 21 ahead and take my turn now, because for all the Board
- 22 Members Gary Liss wrote a letter on zero waste, Item 30,
- 23 to all the board members. Then Mike MaHajer, as Mr. Jones
- 24 indicated, wrote he had to leave, and he wanted to -- he
- 25 wrote regarding Item 28, the fee increase.

- 1 Item 30, mission statement, and recommended that
- 2 the statement be expanded to address the issue of cost
- 3 effectiveness, and then also had a comment on item 16.
- And the next one, this is for all the Board
- 5 members and I'm going to spell both names because I cannot
- 6 pronounce them. I think the first name would be
- 7 pronounced Saraswati. And then the last name is
- 8 C-h-a-n-d-r-a-m-o-u-l-i, well anyway, from Global
- 9 Recycling Council in support of the staff's recommendation
- 10 regarding the draft Strategic Plan, Item 30.
- 11 So those are for all the Board members.
- 12 Mr. Medina, ex partes.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Only the correspondence
- 14 from Mike MaHajer and Gary Liss.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah. Thank you. The
- 17 same correspondence as well as a general conversation with
- 18 John Kupps and said hello to Gary Liss.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 20 I'm laughing because I forgot to have the roll call.
- 21 Would you call the roll, please.
- 22 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Here.
- 24 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Here.

SECRETARY VILLA: Medina? 1 2 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Here. 3 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian? BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Here. 4 5 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti? Moulton-Patterson? 6 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Here. Sorry 8 about that. 9 Okay. BOARD MEMBER EATON: Madam Chair, could I move 10 11 that all the previous ex partes be included in as a result 12 of after the roll call. 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. 14 Definitely. 15 Okay, so we're on Item 28 and who is presenting 16 that? DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: I am, Madam Chair. 17 18 Terry Jordan with the Administration and Finance Division. 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Go ahead. DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Good morning, Madam 20 21 Chair and board members. Item 28 is Consideration Of 22 Approval To Increase The Integrated Waste Management Fee. 23 At this time, I would like to bring to your 24 attention this item has some minor errors that I would 25 like to bring to you verbally, so you can note them for

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- 1 your agenda item and that would be before we move into the
- 2 presentation, so I'd like to start with that first.
- 3 On page one, under Roman Numeral I, Summary, the
- 4 very first line should read, "At the April board
- 5 meeting..." not March. Under Roman Numeral III, Options
- 6 for the Board, we'd like to suggest a fourth option to
- 7 pursue legislation to raise the fee above the statutory
- 8 limits. On page two, Roman numeral V, Analysis, under key
- 9 issues, which is towards the bottom of the page. The
- 10 title, and this is very minor, "...suggest the IWFB..."
- 11 It would be the "IWMB".
- 12 And on page four continuing with Roman Numeral V
- 13 under waste exports, in the bottom of the first paragraph,
- 14 we recently received clarification from Allied VFI that
- 15 Napa's waste is going to Keller Canyon not Portrero
- 16 Landfill. That concludes the changes.
- To introduce this item, I would like to review
- 18 with the Board that the focus should be on the Aye. Need,
- 19 but to give attention to the longer term impact for future
- 20 years when considering the outcome of this item. Keep in
- 21 mind, too, that the budget is fluid based on a point in
- 22 time of information and estimates. There will be some
- 23 adjustments after this fiscal year closes, and when we
- 24 begin developing the fiscal year 02/03 budget.
- 25 We need to consider that the maximum statutory

- 1 limit of \$1.40 will only increase the IWMA by
- 2 approximately \$2.3 million. And this does not fund the
- 3 Board's ability to do certain current activities such as
- 4 sustain the RMDZ loan program at more than \$3 million
- 5 through the sunset date. It does not adequately address
- 6 the Board's priorities and then direction as we move
- 7 forward with the new strategic plan and still maintain a
- 8 prudent reserve.
- 9 And I'm also concerned that with our limited
- 10 funds, we may not be able to continue funding Project
- 11 Recycle staff after the sunset of the RMDZ loan program.
- 12 In its current State, RMDZ currently funds Project Recycle
- 13 and \$3 million in loans annually through the sunset 2006
- 14 at the current funding level.
- 15 With that said, at this time, I will turn the
- 16 presentation over to staff. Suzanne Blihovde of the
- 17 Economic Forecasting and Analysis unit with the
- 18 Administration Finance Division will present this item.
- MS. BLIHOVDE: Good morning, Madam chair and
- 20 members the Board.
- 21 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 22 presented as follows.)
- 23 MS. BLIHOVDE: In the April 20th, 21st 2001 board
- 24 meeting, the Board was presented with a discussion on
- 25 Integrated Waste Management Account fund status and

- 1 projected revenues. The discussion included a brief
- 2 history of the IWM fee, the impact of inflation on IWM
- 3 fee's purchasing power, a comparison between the IWM fee
- 4 and average tipping fees charged at California landfills,
- 5 and the IWMA revenue projections through fiscal year
- 6 2002/2003.
- 7 From this discussion, staff was directed to
- 8 return with a formal proposal to increase the IWM fee
- 9 while considering the impact of sale of Recycling Market
- 10 and Development Zone Loans and IWMA as well as the
- 11 sunsetting of the exemption of inerts from the IWM fee.
- During the April discussion, the history of the
- 13 IWM fee was covered in detail. So this will be just very
- 14 brief. The IWM fee is the Board's principal source of
- 15 funding for its solid waste program. Per statutory
- 16 changes to the PRC Section 4800 in 1993, the IWM fee was
- 17 set at a \$1.34 per ton beginning on July 1st, 1994.
- 18 Beginning in fiscal year 1995/96, the Board was
- 19 granted authority to increase the fee to ensure -- to a
- 20 maximum of \$1.40 per ton so that revenues were generated
- 21 equivalent to the approved budget including the prudent
- 22 reserve.
- 23 Although the Board has not acted to increase the
- 24 IWM fee since July 1994, an achievement, progress and
- 25 promise a status report submitted to the Legislature in

- 1 March 2000, the Board recognized that it might not be able
- 2 to fund all of its initiatives without a fee increase.
- 3 ---00--
- 4 MS. BLIHOVDE: During the April discussion, I
- 5 presented a chart similar to the one that's on the
- 6 overhead that shows the impact of inflation on the IWM fee
- 7 between fiscal year 1994 and 1995 and fiscal year
- 8 2000/2001. Inflation in California, as measured by the
- 9 Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers, was
- 10 increased 16.7 percent. Inflation is projected to be 21.2
- 11 percent in fiscal year 2001/2002 and 23.3 percent through
- 12 2002/2003.
- These inflation rates are .5 percent, two percent
- 14 and one percent higher than the inflation rates reported
- 15 to the Board in April 2001.
- 16 These increases are primarily due to the
- 17 increased cost of energy and the increased cost of
- 18 housing. And you can tell -- well if you can't read the
- 19 chart please refer to the printed up charts from the
- 20 items.
- In fiscal year 2000/2001 the fee would need to be
- 22 \$1.56 to keep up with inflation, \$1.62 in 2001/2002 and
- 23 \$1.65 in 2002/2003. At the same time, the purchasing
- 24 power in these same fiscal years has been reduced to \$1.15
- 25 \$1.11 and \$1.09.

- 1 This is a new chart for you. During the April
- 2 briefing -- the briefing for a April meeting, information
- 3 was requested concerning what the impact of inflation and
- 4 the loss of purchasing power totaled in dollars and how
- 5 would the fee need to be adjusted to recapture the lost
- 6 revenue. The purple line above the \$1.34 represents over
- 7 \$45 million lost due to inflationary costs and not keeping
- 8 up with inflation. The blue line below \$1.34 line
- 9 represents \$39.2 million lost in purchasing power.
- 10 So the total missed income from 1995/96 to fiscal
- 11 year 2002/2003 is \$84.8 million.
- 12 --000--
- 13 MS. BLIHOVDE: What would the fee need to be to
- 14 recoup the missed income over the seven years from the
- 15 94/95 to 2001/2002 and keep up with inflation in fiscal
- 16 year 2002/2003?
- We start with the base fee of \$1.34. We would
- 18 need to add another .34 cents to keep up with inflation
- 19 through 2003/2004 for a subtotal of \$1.68.
- In order to recover the purchasing power lost in
- 21 that seven-year period, we would need to add another .11
- 22 cents to recover the costs over an additional seven years.
- 23 To keep up with inflation, we would need another .12
- 24 cents.
- 25 So the total fee to recapture the \$84.8 million

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- 1 dollars over a seven-year period would need to be \$1.91.
- 2 This assumes inflation and the disposal rate remain
- 3 constant at the 2003/2004 level.
- 4 --000--
- 5 MS. BLIHOVDE: The average California landfill
- 6 tipping fee. As this chart shows, the average landfill
- 7 tipping fee in California has kept pace with or exceeded
- 8 inflation rates as measured by increases in the California
- 9 CPI. The average landfill tipping fee in California is
- 10 \$35.14 according to the latest CIWMB phone survey. After
- 11 the April presentation, I was asked if this chart included
- 12 transfer stations. It does not.
- 13 --000--
- MS. BLIHOVDE: The red line on this chart
- 15 indicates what the average fee is with all disposal
- 16 facilities included. It only begins in 1996 because
- 17 that's when the CIWMB phone survey began including all
- 18 disposal facilities including transfer stations.
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- MS. BLIHOVDE: California's economic growth has
- 21 slowed considerably during the first quarter of 2001. The
- 22 May revision forecast that the economic slowdown will
- 23 continue for the next 12 months with growth to increase in
- 24 2002. The March 2001 UCLA Anderson forecast is projecting
- 25 a recession in the Bay Area with continuing slower growth

- 1 in southern California.
- 2 The UCLA Anderson forecast is projecting a short
- 3 and shallow recession for the nation as a whole, with
- 4 recovery to be under way in 2002. As a result of the
- 5 economic slowdown, staff have made conservative
- 6 projections for available IWMA funds.
- 7 This attachment and this chart shows projected
- 8 revenues and expenditures through fiscal care year
- 9 2002/2003. I would like you to note that the revenue
- 10 projections for fiscal year 2001/2002 do not match what is
- 11 currently in the Governor's budget. That was at a point
- 12 in time that was included in the Governor's budget last
- 13 fiscal year before the economic slowdown really hit
- 14 California.
- The projections are approximately \$1 million
- 16 less. Staff considers it a prudent and conservative
- 17 estimate to project that the revenues will be the same
- 18 next fiscal year as they are for this fiscal year.
- --o0o--
- 20 MS. BLIHOVDE: Moving on to inerts and the impact
- 21 on the fees. The sunset of the inert exemption from the
- 22 IWM fee is January 2002. Consequently, there is a
- 23 potential increase in IWM fee revenue of \$976,000 in
- 24 fiscal year 2001/2002, and another almost \$1.7 million in
- 25 fiscal year 2002/2003. This chart shows that impact of

- 1 revenue -- Attachment 4 shows the impact of revenue from
- 2 inerts on the IWMA reserve and funds available to transfer
- 3 to the RMDZ.
- 4 As this chart indicates, revenues from the inerts
- 5 would allow the Board to make a small transfer of funds to
- 6 the RMDZ program. However, there is pending legislation
- 7 that would extend the sunset of fee exemption until
- 8 January 2005 to allow the Board to develop tiered
- 9 regulations from nine reclamation sites.
- 10 The regulatory process is at a minimum a two-year
- 11 process and the proposed extension of the sunset appears
- 12 to provide sufficient time with which to complete the
- 13 regulations.
- 14 --000--
- MS. BLIHOVDE: Moving on to the RMDZ program.
- 16 During the April 2001 discussion item on the IWM fee,
- 17 staff noted the potential need to transfer IWMA funds to
- 18 the RMDZ program to continue funding the Project Recycle
- 19 activities. However, a more recent review of RMDA
- 20 available funds, incoming interest revenue and
- 21 expenditures indicate that the transfer of funds will not
- 22 be necessary.
- Next fiscal year the loan program will have \$10
- 24 million available for loans. However, after that
- 25 availability decreases dramatically approximately \$3

- 1 million each year. The Board would need to transfer funds
- 2 from the IWMA or successfully implement a leveraging
- 3 option if the Board wants to have funds available to meet
- 4 the estimated loan of \$10 million annually.
- 5 Waste Exports. The export of waste out of the
- 6 State does impact IWM fee revenues. Between 95/96 and
- 7 99/2000, waste exports grew from 567,000 tons to 995,000
- 8 tons. On a calendar year basis, however, there has been a
- 9 recent decline in waste exports. In calendar year 1999
- 10 waste exported totaled over one million tons. However, in
- 11 2000, waste exports dropped to 747,000 tons.
- 12 This drop was primarily due to Napa no longer
- 13 shipping its waste out of state, and as noted earlier the
- 14 waste now goes to Keller Canyon Landfill in Solano County.
- 15 Waste export and its associated fee equity
- 16 concerns are complex policy issues that have been heard by
- 17 the Board in the past. There are too many factors to
- 18 consider in addressing the fee equity issue to provide an
- 19 analysis on potential fee revenues from exported waste.
- 20 Should the Board wish to pursue this as an option, staff
- 21 is ready to take the Board's direction and return with a
- 22 future Board item.
- Expenditures, going back to attachment 3.
- 24 --000--
- 25 MS. BLIHOVDE: Shows actually expenditures and

- 1 revenues through fiscal year 1999/2000 and projected
- 2 revenues AND expenditures through 2002/2003. As noted in
- 3 the April item, the Board has maximized available funding
- 4 with the programmatic progress and success over years
- 5 including the facility compliance loan program, increased
- 6 RMDZ participation, contracts and grants related to
- 7 markets and sustainability, the waste characterization
- 8 study, and the household hazardous waste local government
- 9 infrastructure for collection and recycling.
- 10 Within the expenditure shown, there is over \$2
- 11 million in cost of living adjustments for IWMA staff since
- 12 fiscal year 1998/99. The Board has had to absorb those
- 13 costs within the IWMA, unlike other agencies who receive
- 14 funding for COLAs from the General Fund.
- 15 Other administrative costs, such as position
- 16 upgrades, higher travel costs, increased facility costs
- 17 and other increases in operating expenses have also been
- 18 absorbed within the IWMA.
- 19 The expenditures include several programs
- 20 established under the direction of the Board that operate
- 21 with no baseline operating budget. These programs receive
- 22 redirected dollars to Implement and include CalMAX, WRAP,
- 23 Recycled Contents Product Trade Show.
- 24 The Department of Finance calculated the prudent
- 25 reserve at ten percent of expenditures in fiscal year

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- 1 2000/2001. The Board is projected to have a 7.9 percent
- 2 reserve. In 2001/2002 this reserve drops to 3.3 percent.
- 3 And the reserve increases slightly to 4.4 percent in
- 4 2002/2003.
- 5 --000--
- 6 MS. BLIHOVDE: Attachment five displays the
- 7 impact to revenues and the reserve should the Board choose
- 8 to increase the fee to \$1.40 per ton effective in the
- 9 fiscal year 2002/2003. The Board would have a projected
- 10 reserve of \$4.3 million or 9.3 percent of expenditures.
- 11 A budget change proposal would be necessary for
- 12 the fee increase if the Board decided to use the revenue
- 13 for purposes other than reserve or transfer to the RMDZ
- 14 program.
- 15 To conclude, in the past, the Board has been able
- 16 to maximize its programmatic successes without an increase
- 17 to the IWM fee. The ability to sustain this level of
- 18 performance is being eroded by the continuing loss of
- 19 purchasing power of the IWM fee and the slowing of the
- 20 economy.
- 21 Without an increase to the fee, the Board may be
- 22 faced with some difficult choices on the best way to meet
- 23 its statutory mandates within the available funding.
- 24 The options for the Board to pursue. The Board
- 25 may decide to increase the IWM fee to a statutory limit of

- 1 \$1.40 per ton for Public Resources Code Section 4800(b)
- 2 effective July 1st, 2002; increase the IWM fee up to the
- 3 statutory limit of a \$1.40 per ton per PRC Section 4800;
- 4 keep the fee at its currently authorized level of \$1.34
- 5 per ton; or the fourth option, which was just added,
- 6 pursue legislation to increase the fee above the statutory
- 7 limit.
- 8 Staff are recommending option one, increase the
- 9 IWM fee to the statutory limit of \$1.40 per ton and
- 10 request the Board to approve Resolution Number 2001-216.
- 11 This concludes my presentation. I'm available to
- 12 answer any questions.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very
- 14 much.
- 15 Questions?
- Mr. Eaton.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I just have a couple general
- 18 questions. I want to reserve some specific questions.
- 19 Does recommendation on Item 1 involve a budget
- 20 change proposal request as well or is that separate and
- 21 apart?
- MS. BLIHOVDE: If the Board approves the
- 23 recommendation --
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I understand the mechanism,
- $25\,$ but I want to find out what staff is recommending. I know

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- 1 you're recommending that we increase X.
- 2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: I'd like to speak to
- 3 that. Terry Jordan.
- 4 We have not proposed a BCP. We are in the
- 5 current process of BCP concepts. It would be our intent
- 6 that depending on what the Board does with this item, we
- 7 would have to look at putting together a BCP. And
- 8 certainly, if the Board were to delay a vote today on
- 9 this, that would give us more time to put together a BCP,
- 10 because there's also the issue of how would the monies be
- 11 spent, how does the Board see the monies being spent.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Right, I understand, but I'm
- 13 just -- I can't ask to approve the resolution without the
- 14 two components that you talked about, which was basically
- 15 if you're going to use this for other than RMDZ and/or
- 16 reserves, then you need a BCP. That was my understanding
- 17 from what you presented.
- MS. BLIHOVDE: That's correct.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: So is that part of the
- 20 resolution? I just want to be clear. We're going to get
- 21 to that discussion. But I just want to make sure what's
- 22 in the resolution. Is that part of the resolution?
- MS. BLIHOVDE: No.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: So the resolution does not
- 25 include a BCP?

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- 1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: It does not.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER EATON: But the staff recommendation
- 3 says spend it on something other than RMDZ and reserves in
- 4 the resolution.
- 5 MS. BLIHOVDE: The resolution is silent to that.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Well, by operation then.
- 7 MS. BLIHOVDE: Then it is silent then.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: The other question I have is
- 9 where in your projections on our RMDZ a selling of the
- 10 loans that the Board took up a couple of months ago, and
- 11 is that projection included in there, because my
- 12 understanding was we had a discussion on RMDZ that
- 13 involved the selling of some loans. And I think it was
- 14 back in -- it says continued from January, but we did it
- 15 some time --
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think it was February.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER EATON: February. So was that not
- 18 at least an option for us to look at as we're trying to
- 19 get the full picture of what our financial is? That would
- 20 be an option that would sway me one way or the other with
- 21 regard to some of the other matters.
- I can't look at it in just separate components.
- 23 I can, but you don't want me to look at it that way,
- 24 because I'll just kill you with questions. What is that
- 25 component of this projection?

- 1 MS. BLIHOVDE: The loan sales were not factored
- 2 in because the RMDZ program can keep operating with the
- 3 sale or without the sale through its sunset. So the need
- 4 to transfer funds from the IWMA is based on what level of
- 5 loans the Board wants the RMDZ program to initiate.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER EATON: But that would definitely
- 7 take pressure off the Board, if we approve the selling of
- 8 the loans, which would free up any, if we were to go for
- 9 an increase for other programs.
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: That's correct.
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Right, so I think that I
- 12 would need in least -- while we're talking maybe someone,
- 13 Mr. Jordan, can run and get what the actual figures were,
- 14 the projections for that.
- 15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: I can give them to you
- 16 right now.
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: The other thing of the 22
- 18 percent inflation, do we have any chart that shows how
- 19 cyclical the economy has been since the '93 -- we had a
- 20 dip in 95 or 96 which would be helpful. The other thing
- 21 that's sort of surprising to me, and I think we have to
- 22 factor in here, is everyone is talking about the economy
- 23 and the inflation and what have you. And I'm a little
- 24 saddened, if you want to know the truth.
- 25 I'm saddened because no one has mentioned that

- 1 maybe we're doing our job is the reason why the revenues
- 2 aren't up. I mean we sat for the last year and a half or
- 3 two years and approved all of these wonderful
- 4 jurisdictions that supposedly have increased their
- 5 diversion above 50 percent.
- 6 Isn't that really -- I mean, that to me would
- 7 seem to be that we're doing our job, and therefore, we're
- 8 not getting the money because we're doing our job. But if
- 9 we're only basing it on the economy, then we must not be
- 10 doing our job, because there's the impact on the revenues
- 11 really, isn't there, as a result of diversion.
- 12 And I need to see what that impact is as well.
- 13 MS. BLIHOVDE: I don't have the chart with me
- 14 that I provided in the April discussion, but it showed how
- 15 in about 95/96 we hit our low mark for disposal. And then
- 16 since then, it's been going up, increasing. And it
- 17 coincides with the economic upturn from the slowdown at
- 18 that same time period.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I just wanted to get some
- 20 fundamentals first.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 22 Any other questions?
- 23 Before I move to you, Mr. Jones, I'll give you a
- 24 chance to catch your breath, Senator Roberti, welcome.
- 25 But if you want me to come back to you on ex partes?

- 1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I'm up to date.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 3 Mr. Jones.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 5 Just a couple of issues. First, I want to thank you for
- 6 providing that information on the Delta between what our
- 7 actual dollars have as value and what they would be
- 8 through the CPI. I don't propose to ever offer a rate
- 9 increase of 50 some cents on the fee, but I think it's
- 10 important to illustrate just how those dollars -- with the
- 11 impact of those dollars that all things being equal, and
- 12 the fact that rate increases at facilities go up by the
- 13 Cost Of Living Annually, would be -- our fee would be at
- 14 \$1.91 to be the status quo with what the disposal fees
- 15 would be.
- 16 That gives us a basis to look at just -- I think
- 17 it helps provide another tool as to the importance of some
- 18 of the issues we need to deal with.
- 19 And one of them I noticed on your inert
- 20 discussion we looked in potential revenue of \$976,000.
- 21 Just judging by the 475,000 tons of quote unquote ADC,
- 22 which I'm having discussions with the folks and there's
- 23 evidently been a mistake, but just those dollars would be
- 24 \$632,000 for that quarter.
- 25 And I think that it is important to understand

- 1 that we need to look at what that impact is on our fee.
- 2 And I also think it's important to look at the point of
- 3 collection. Right now statutorily the \$1.34 is collected
- 4 at a landfill. AB 688 had verbiage in it that would have
- 5 changed the point of collection, but the Waste Board, at
- 6 that time, back, I think, in '94 or 5 or maybe 6, did not
- 7 talk about how those dollars should be collected.
- 8 One of the discussions I want to have with the
- 9 Board members today is, after everybody's commented and we
- 10 see how they feel about it, is I think it's critically
- 11 important and fair to look at tagging onto another bill.
- 12 Mr. Miiller, if there's some -- you know, a bill that we
- 13 can be able to provide proper legislation to change the
- 14 point of collection, that if there's not a landfill that
- 15 this material is going to, then the point of collection be
- 16 the transfer station less that portion of the fee that
- 17 goes to actual landfill inspections.
- 18 At the time that this went through, and this has
- 19 been an issue that came to previous boards and committees
- 20 almost every quarter or maybe twice a year, I think it was
- 21 nine percent of the fee or nine cents of the fee shouldn't
- 22 be charged. It shouldn't be \$1.34. If we change the
- 23 point of collection from those that aren't going to
- 24 landfills to transfer stations, it should be \$1.26 or
- 25 \$1.27, I forget the number, but our staff would have that,

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- 1 because that represents fairly that we're not providing
- 2 that landfill oversight in those communities, so they
- 3 shouldn't, you know -- they felt they shouldn't pay for
- 4 it.
- 5 But all of those communities are coming forward
- 6 to this Board They're coming forward to this Board to help
- 7 them with AB 939 compliance with our different divisions
- 8 in assistance. But yet the burden of paying for all that
- 9 is placed on the California facilities. So the waste that
- 10 goes outside of the State, those jurisdictions actually
- 11 have the benefit of not having to pay the \$1.34 and they
- 12 have the benefit of having equal footing in getting the
- 13 grants.
- And at some point it's not fair to those folks,
- 15 those citizens that are paying the \$1.34 in the rate. I
- 16 would prefer, especially considering that with all the
- 17 slashing that's going on within both houses of the
- 18 Legislature and the Governor's office, this six cents is
- 19 going to -- you know, Finance looks at the fact that we've
- 20 got a million and a half in our reserves, and they want us
- 21 to have four million, I don't think they're going to be
- 22 that quick to give us that expenditure authority.
- 23 And I know one of the arguments that our
- 24 executive team has always used with Finance is that this
- 25 Board already had the ability to enact that six cents in

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- 1 case of an emergency, that it didn't enact it just to go
- 2 in the reserve, but if there really was an issue, we could
- 3 enact it statutorily right away, and we give up that
- 4 bargaining chip if we put it in now just to put six cents
- 5 more in the reserve, when the real issue should be point
- 6 of collection of the fee and treatment of the inert
- 7 material at permitted facilities.
- 8 Those two things alone would require a BCP at the
- 9 end of the day to figure out, because we would have an
- 10 awful lot more money than what that six cents would be and
- 11 probably would be pretty easily supported, especially -- I
- 12 know that we had a point of collection workshop. Madam
- 13 Chair, I don't remember if it was -- Rubia, do you
- 14 remember how long ago it was.
- 15 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Yes, I do. I have
- 16 some notes here for you on it in case you asked. The
- 17 workshops were in March of '98. There was one workshop
- 18 here in Sacramento and one in southern California. And
- 19 there were a variety of questions that were focused on the
- 20 equity of paying the fee versus the nonpayment for waste
- 21 export. And there was some recommendations that came out
- 22 of that that were presented to the Board later that year
- 23 in August.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And I don't want to -- it
- 25 seemed to me that we were getting testimony that was -- I

- 1 don't remember people being opposed. I don't remember a
- 2 lot of opposition. It seemed to me it was pretty much
- 3 across the Board, that people felt it was an equity issue.
- 4 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Yes, that's correct.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I don't want to misrepresent
- 6 any stakeholders in this thing, but I do remember that the
- 7 industry, and I think it was the League of Cities and
- 8 others that did not -- you know, felt it was a fairness
- 9 issue. And that really was going to be, I think,
- 10 something that we were going to use to go on to the next
- 11 step, and it never happened.
- 12 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Well, if I could.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: It's probably our fault. I
- 14 mean it was our fault.
- 15 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: No. What happened
- 16 was there was a concept, a legislative concept, that was
- 17 drafted and put forward and that was at a time when the
- 18 Administration was not interested in doing anything that
- 19 remotely looked like raising the fee. And so the time
- 20 wasn't right, at that time and it wasn't put forward to
- 21 either APC or the Governor's office as a proposal.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thank you.
- 23 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: So it kind of died
- 24 in-house because of that.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: If I could just

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- 1 interrupt for one moment. You know it would really be
- 2 helpful if the four of us could see any, you know, notes
- 3 from that since we weren't here.
- 4 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Okay, we did provide
- 5 you with -- I don't know -- you probably don't have it
- 6 with you, but we did give you a notebook. All of the
- 7 information that we're talking about is in there, the
- 8 summary of the questions, the summary of the feedback, the
- 9 agenda items, all of that is in there, so you can have
- 10 that.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks. And you're right, I
- 13 didn't even know it was in there. So I'm glad, because it
- 14 is important because this would not be raising a fee. I
- 15 think that what this Board has to understand is if we look
- 16 at point of collection, it's not raising the fee, it's
- 17 taking the fee and changing where we collect the fee.
- 18 And I think that that's important in how we
- 19 present this to the public and to the Legislature and to
- 20 the Governor's office, but clearly the impact would be
- 21 substantial. And I'll end at that, but I do want to have
- 22 that discussion after everybody makes their comments.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Mr. Jones, isn't that the
- 25 rhetoric that I think that --

- 1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Close the loopholes, closing
- 2 the loopholes.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you. As I see it,
- 5 there are sort of four issues before us here. The first
- 6 one is raising the fee to \$1.40. I mean looking at the
- 7 numbers, and I have looked at the numbers very closely, I
- 8 think the case is made very clearly that we ought to be
- 9 raising the fee to \$1.40.
- I think we would have difficulty justifying any
- 11 legislative proposals unless we either exhausted our
- 12 existing authority to raise the fee.
- 13 The second issue is the question of where we're
- 14 at financially. I was not aware, at least it didn't
- 15 strike me until I saw this agenda item, how far off we
- 16 were from an expected reserve.
- 17 Somehow priorities obviously are being set for
- 18 how we spend our money or what we're not funding or what
- 19 we are funding in relationship to how much the reserve
- 20 should be. I think that that's a situation where there
- 21 should be a little more active Board involvement. You
- 22 know, obviously somewhere a decision has been made not to
- 23 fund a reserve at an expected level, and that may or may
- 24 not be the right decision.
- 25 We've been able by not funding at the expected

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- 1 level to meet all of our, you know, priorities and
- 2 expenses and so forth. But I think that, again, those are
- 3 the sorts of things that the Board ought to be taking a
- 4 look at.
- 5 If we do reach the point where we have the
- 6 additional revenue and things work out with the reserve, I
- 7 think, again, the Board should be involved in some of the
- 8 determinations about what BCPs should be pursued or
- 9 whatever mechanisms are put in place for spending that
- 10 money.
- 11 Anyway, what I'd like to see, I think, is a
- 12 subcommittee of the Board to take a look at some of these
- 13 fiscal issues, see where we're at with the reserves, see
- 14 where we're at with spending, related issues, develop some
- 15 options for use of the funds if we increase the revenues
- 16 over time, through the mechanisms that have been talked
- 17 about today.
- 18 You know, so I'd like to see a subcommittee take
- 19 a look at some of these issues and maybe report back to
- 20 the full board in two or three months about where we're at
- 21 financially and what options there may be for the Board to
- 22 look at.
- 23 The third and fourth issues -- the third one is
- 24 whether we should seek legislation to raise the fee above
- 25 \$1.40. A fourth one are the issues that Mr. Jones talked

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- 1 about, the point of collection for the fee and the inert
- 2 issues, both of which I think are indeed very important
- 3 issues.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. And I
- 5 certainly would support you on the Board members being
- 6 more involved in setting the priorities. And truly when
- 7 we get to the strategic plan, if our strategic plan really
- 8 is what the Board members want, then that should drive the
- 9 budget. And I think a lot of work has been put into that.
- 10 But I want to give others a chance to -- did
- 11 you --
- 12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Madam Chair, I just
- 13 wanted to clarify for Mr. Paparian and the rest of the
- 14 members that in speaking of the reserve and how we spend
- 15 our money, we do spend our money with regards to how we
- 16 meet AB 939. The way that the budget is developed is
- 17 based on program elements that we have within this Board
- 18 and the functions, programmatic functions.
- 19 And so there is a cap on the support, et cetera.
- 20 And we can reflect that better for you in our individual
- 21 budget briefings that we do for you after year-end
- 22 closing.
- 23 However, I also wanted to point out that even
- 24 though that Finance had an exportation of a ten percent
- 25 prudent reserve, if you look back over our history, you'll

- 1 see that it was ten plus percent. But I think, at that
- 2 time, they may have been a little bit more stringent with
- 3 us because we were a fairly young organization, and, you
- 4 know, the revenues had changed, and they were kind of
- 5 watching what we were doing.
- And certainly we didn't have a whole lot of
- 7 experience early on. And I think what has really happened
- 8 is we've been able to manage our resources and put in
- 9 place excellent programs, and so that they have been more
- 10 willing, where now they're saying the prudent average is
- 11 around five percent reserve.
- 12 The Administration and Finance division,
- 13 previously for this fiscal year, had negotiated with them
- 14 to bring down the reserve to three percent. So, you know,
- 15 we have some history now with Finance with regards to the
- 16 managing of our resources and the ability to maybe have a
- 17 little bit lower, even than the five percent that's the
- 18 average, and they've backed away from the ten.
- 19 So I think that, you know, looking at that, we've
- 20 reflected ten percent because that is the maximum. Where
- 21 we've been staying for this year and proposed for next
- 22 fiscal year and the following year is around three
- 23 percent.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: So I'm confused now.
- 25 Finance is accepting three percent so the chart is not

- 1 quite accurate then.
- 2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: They did accept the
- 3 negotiation.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay, so the chart --
- 5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: That's what's currently
- 6 reflected on the chart as the balance available, and then
- 7 you'll see a target of a ten percent.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: So the target now is
- 9 just --
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: That's what they had
- 11 originally said was a prudent reserve.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: So the target is the
- 13 target of Finance of several years ago. The current
- 14 target is something in the order of three percent?
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Their average is five.
- 16 We tried to get them down to three and obviously were
- 17 successful for this fiscal year. And it appears that
- 18 we'll be about there or four percent for next fiscal year.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. So we're matching
- 20 our target to our actual reserve. We're matching their
- 21 target to our actual reserve then?
- 22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: When we look at the
- 23 reserve, we have to take a look at the percentage that
- 24 they're expecting against our expenditures. And so when
- 25 staff have portrayed here the target of the ten percent,

- 1 that's what has been the history. And we have not kept up
- 2 with that in this fiscal year and for next fiscal year,
- 3 because there was successful negotiations.
- 4 And so where you see the balance available is
- 5 what we are currently running as a reserve.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Is it your desire to get
- 7 up to that ten percent or is that --
- 8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: No, We'd like to still
- 9 argue with them that, you know, we're managing our current
- 10 resources successfully, and that our programs have proven
- 11 themselves, and so that we can continue anywhere between
- 12 the three and their expected average of five now.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. So if we were to
- 14 raise the fee in 2001/2002, our balance available is, in
- 15 fact, meeting the reserve expected from the Department of
- 16 Finance. Therefore, the increase, the six cent increase,
- 17 could, in fact, go to either RMDZ or something else if
- 18 there was an approved BCP.
- 19 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: That's correct,
- 20 operational issues that we already have expenditure
- 21 authority for, and that was either the RMDZ or the
- 22 reserve. We could do a BCP to try to improve something
- 23 else.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah. So based on this
- 25 discussion, I think, the case is even more made that we

1 ought to have a little more Board knowledge and

- 2 involvement.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I really
- 4 appreciate you clarifying that Ms. Jordan, because I
- 5 thought, at the briefing that you said that all State
- 6 boards and all were required to have a ten percent. And
- 7 then I read in the LA Times that the Governor had asked
- 8 that he was doubling it, that all of them have now six
- 9 percent, so I was really confused.
- 10 So you're saying that the past Administration, or
- 11 the early days, they needed ten percent, but now it's more
- 12 lenient; is that correct?
- 13 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: Right. Now their
- 14 average is five.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: And obviously through
- 17 negotiations sometimes you can get them down a little
- 18 further.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- Thank you for clearing that up. And I do want to
- 21 give the other Board members a chance to speak and we have
- 22 speakers. Mr. Medina, Senator Roberti, did you wish to
- 23 speak now or would you like to hear the speakers.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I'll make a comment that
- 25 obviously I support the increase to \$1.40, since the

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- 1 Legislature has been periodically raiding our funds one
- 2 way or another to take care of other very, very necessary
- 3 items, such as the cleanup of the Los Angeles River. And
- 4 we're trying to squeeze money to do all the things that
- 5 have to be done with limited dollars at 1.34.
- 6 My concern is that \$1.40 doesn't even remotely
- 7 deal with the problem. It doesn't bring us back to 1993
- 8 standards. So we're just going to constantly be falling
- 9 back. And if there's anyway where cost of living is felt,
- 10 it's in construction projects and engineering projects.
- 11 There's no way to skim the dollars to feel that really we
- 12 aren't going to have to pay the enormous costs. Those
- 13 costs are real. They hit us and we can only do fewer and
- 14 fewer things, such as the things we need to do, like
- 15 market development and energy development and closing
- 16 landfills, and assisting small counties, education
- 17 programs, sustainability questions, and, of course, in my
- 18 own backyard, because this was the area of conflict,
- 19 cleaning up the Los Angeles River.
- 20 So we have to do all those things and we're
- 21 trying to do it now on \$1.34. We're going to try to do it
- 22 on \$1.40. That's fine, but it's just minute, so I hope
- 23 staff can come back, and I'm requesting through the Chair
- 24 here, that staff come back with a recommendation that we
- 25 ask the Legislature to increase the fee from a \$1.40 to

- 1 \$2, and that we discuss that kind of a legislative
- 2 recommendation, so that we can get this kind of
- 3 legislation moving.
- 4 And it's the kind of thing where, you know, win
- 5 or lose we have to do our job and let the world know that
- 6 we can't do all these things on the limited dollars we
- 7 have.
- 8 If the Legislature chooses not to pass it, that
- 9 would be sad, but so be it, but we have to make the
- 10 attempt.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,
- 12 Senator Roberti.
- 13 Mr. Medina.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Yes. Madam Chair, I also
- 15 see the need and support a fee increase up to the current
- 16 one that's being proposed now, and later through the
- 17 Legislature a higher one as needed. And I think that the
- 18 prudent reserve at three to five is the one that's
- 19 adequate, and ten percent is really too high. And there
- 20 really should be a closer working relationship between
- 21 these strategic plans and the budget and that we go
- 22 through both of those.
- The Board members really, since we are involved
- 24 in this strategic plan, a great effort has been made to
- 25 putting together the strategic plan, so should a similar

- 1 effort be made in terms of the participation of the Board
- 2 members in studying the budget.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 4 Medina.
- 5 Certainly we'll get to the speakers. Just my
- 6 comment is, you know, I'd like to see us raise it to what
- 7 we're statutorily allowed, to \$1.40, to also seek
- 8 legislation to get what we really need to support our
- 9 programs, and I just really agree with Mr. Jones we must
- 10 look at this out-of-state exports and inert and then what
- 11 was your other point, point of collection, I need to know
- 12 more about that, so that we can, you know, support the
- 13 programs we all believe in.
- 14 And with that, I will go to our speakers. And
- 15 thank you for an excellent report, both of you. Mr. Mark
- 16 Aprea, Republic Services.
- MR. APREA: Good Morning, Madam Chair and Members
- 18 of the Board. Mark Aprea representing Republic Services.
- 19 With all due respect to the Board members who are
- 20 supportive of an increase, Republic Services unequivocally
- 21 opposes any of the fee increases that are proposed before
- 22 you today.
- That said, we're not opposed to any and all
- 24 changes in the fees or the fee structures. However, the
- 25 fee increase proposed today dooms this Board to repeat the

- 1 same mistake over and over again, because what you're
- 2 going to end up doing is finding yourself in the need to
- 3 increase fees down a road as inflation goes up and the
- 4 waste stream continues to decline.
- 5 All you're engaging in is some sort of a
- 6 stop-gap, which will not address the fundamental problem.
- 7 For the past ten years this Board and its predecessors
- 8 have known that the fee structure was doomed to find
- 9 yourself in the current situation. That is, we all knew
- 10 that inflation was going to occur at some rate. And if
- 11 you were successful and the local agencies were successful
- 12 and the solid waste haulers were successful in getting
- 13 anywhere near achieving the 50 percent diversion, there
- 14 was a predicted decline in revenue.
- 15 And therefore, you have before you a situation
- 16 that could have been seen day one and it was seen each and
- 17 every year. This is not the first time that a proposed
- 18 increase in fees has come before this Board. And yet in
- 19 that entire time there's never been an attempt made
- 20 successfully, implemented I should say, to address the
- 21 fundamental underlying problem. I would strongly urge
- 22 that you all look at doing that before you engage in
- 23 increasing the fees.
- 24 Furthermore, the timing of this fee increase
- 25 couldn't be worse. We have a softening economy. And for

- 1 those of us who run facilities that have high energy
- 2 usage, I suggest to you that we've already seen our fees
- 3 increased substantially. We are also looking at a
- 4 declining waste stream as the economy softens. And as
- 5 staff predicted, we can certainly anticipate that there
- 6 will be further decline in terms of the Ewaste disposed as
- 7 opposed to under a more robust economy.
- 8 We're not disputing any of the figures that have
- 9 been presented to the Board today. The figures, I'm sure,
- 10 are accurate. But the situation that you all have is to
- 11 fundamentally address the situation. And that is to
- 12 either continue along this same course and find yourself
- 13 having to increase fees periodically down the road, find a
- 14 way to make some budget cuts in terms of addressing a
- 15 declining revenue stream or, in fact, address the problem
- 16 head on and deal with it so that it has an opportunity to
- 17 adjust itself down the road, and that is to, as Mr. Jones
- 18 has suggested, that we address the more fundamental
- 19 question of we're going to raise revenue to cover your
- 20 costs.
- 21 So with that said, I would be happy and I know
- 22 that folks in my company with my client would be happy to
- 23 work with this Board, with staff and with other
- 24 stakeholders to address the underlying issues that Mr.
- 25 Jones and others have addressed, but we would ask that you

- 1 not increase the fees. Until you address the underlying
- 2 question, any fee increase should be rejected.
- 3 Thank you.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 5 PRÈS.
- 6 Denise Delmatier, NorCal Waste.
- 7 MS. DELMATIER: Madam Chair and members of the
- 8 Board, Denise Delmatier with NorCal Waste Systems. And on
- 9 behalf of NorCal, we too are opposed to any increase in
- 10 fee at this time.
- 11 We strongly urge the Board to address, Mr. Aprea
- 12 alluded to as well as Mr. Jones and Mr. Eaton, before any
- 13 fee increase is seriously considered by the Board to
- 14 address the fundamental questions. And certainly the
- 15 export issue is one of those. Where the fees are going to
- 16 be expended is another area that we would like to see
- 17 answered before we see any serious consideration of fee
- 18 increase.
- 19 You know, we have experience here locally in
- 20 bidding on contracts for the export of waste by the City
- 21 of Sacramento. We lost that bid based on the inequity of
- 22 this fee and where it is collected. By establishing a
- 23 policy and continuing to establish a policy that, in fact,
- 24 provides a direct incentive for communities to export
- 25 waste outside the State and go to facilities that don't

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- 1 have the same protections for environmental public health
- 2 and safety, it's a travesty.
- 3 When we bid on the city Of Sacramento's contract,
- 4 that was the major stumbling block.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Roberti.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair, I want to
- 7 let Ms. Delmatier know that I'm one hundred percent in
- 8 agreement with her on the point. I mean it is ridiculous
- 9 that this building does not have -- the trash from this
- 10 building doesn't go to a domestic landfill where we can
- 11 collect the fees, but from what I understand that's out of
- 12 State.
- So any proposals that we suggest in the future
- 14 have to also address that question, because if we don't
- 15 address that question, we aren't engaging even remotely in
- 16 any type of equity.
- MS. DELMATIER: I appreciate your comments,
- 18 Senator.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: For the record,
- 20 and I do agree with the Senator, I think the City of
- 21 Sacramento, as a whole, ships it out of state. Haven't we
- 22 made other arrangements for this building?
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: For this building.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: For this building we
- 25 have. Thank you.

1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: But the City, you

- 2 know, where we all live --
- 3 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Those arrangements are
- 4 relatively recent, aren't they, or have we --
- 5 MS. BLIHOVDE: A commercial building did not have
- 6 separate contracts.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I was mistaken, but the
- 8 point still holds.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: But the city is.
- 10 MS. DELMATIER: But the policy that's in place
- 11 without changing the point of collection, the policy that
- 12 is in place directly encourages communities to send their
- 13 waste outside of the state to facilities that don't have
- 14 the same environmental protections that's required in the
- 15 State.
- And so we are competing against facilities
- 17 outside this State that don't have the same requirements
- 18 that we do. And if it's not fair, it's not equitable.
- 19 And it's not in the best interests of citizens of the
- 20 State.
- 21 Secondly, we want to see before any serious
- 22 consideration of the fee increase, what are those monies
- 23 going to be spent for, what evaluation has been done that
- 24 provides some sort of evaluation on the existing programs
- 25 and any future programs. So we want to see those

- 1 questions answered before any serious consideration of the
- 2 fee increase.
- 3 As Mr. Eaton alluded, in fact, as we continue the
- 4 success of the Board in the cities and counties throughout
- 5 the State in meeting the 50 percent diversion rate,
- 6 revenue will, in fact, decline. And that's a good thing.
- 7 So maybe all of the programs that have been in
- 8 place in the past aren't necessarily required for the
- 9 future as cities and counties and that private industry
- 10 continue the successes of implementing AB 939. So we are
- 11 opposed to a fee increase, at this time. And we'd be
- 12 happy to answer any questions.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 14 Chuck Helget, Allied Waste.
- MR. HELGET: Madam Chairman, members of the
- 16 Board, Chuck Helget, representing Allied Waste. Allied
- 17 Waste, too, is, at this point in time, opposed to the fee
- 18 increase, not because we necessarily disagree with the
- 19 program needs that this Board has or the funding needs for
- 20 the Board, but because of the process that's being
- 21 followed.
- 22 And, again, to reiterate, I'm not going to go
- 23 into the details. I agree with the comments that were
- 24 made by both Denise Delmatier and Mark Aprea. But there
- 25 needs to be a detailed discussion of the fee equity issue,

- 1 but more importantly the tip fee structure, and how a fee
- 2 is charged or how a fee could be charged to adequately
- 3 fund the Board's programs.
- 4 We would be more than happy to participate in
- 5 that type of discussion. At this point in time, raising
- 6 the fee only increases the inequities and does not resolve
- 7 the Boards problems by doing it this way.
- 8 Again, our concerns basically revolve around the
- 9 lack of equity right now, the current tip fee structure.
- 10 The Board, we believe also should be looking a some
- 11 specific programs. For example, landfill gas to energy
- 12 has potential needs for additional funding. And we would
- 13 urge you to take that step first. And I know the Board
- 14 has done many, many detailed discussions on these topics,
- 15 but look at those types of programs as possibly dedicated
- 16 source -- or dedicated programs for the fund before the
- 17 tip fee increase.
- 18 Are there any questions?
- Thank you.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Mr.
- 21 Chuck White, Waste Management.
- MR. WHITE: Thank you Madam Chair, Members of the
- 23 Board. Chuck White with Waste Management. With respect
- 24 to the fee increase to \$1.40, Waste Management, while we
- 25 wouldn't be seeking that necessarily, we certainly would

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- 1 not object to it, if that was the decision of the Board.
- 2 The only two concerns that we have about
- 3 increasing the fee from \$1.34 to \$1.40 is number one the
- 4 transition period and two what is the money going to
- 5 actually be used for. I believe the staff is proposing
- 6 that the new fee would be effective July 1. That would
- 7 be, in our view, a reasonable period of time to allow the
- 8 transition to change the accounting systems throughout the
- 9 State necessary to reflect that changed fee. So if it
- 10 stays with the July 1, we would not object to it.
- 11 The other and probably broader issue is what was
- 12 the fee going to be used for. You obviously had some
- 13 discussion about that, and there clearly is some
- 14 uncertainty about whether there would be a BCP. We
- 15 believe that a use of any fee increase, a significant
- 16 portion, ought to be directed to the kind of issues that
- 17 are reflected in your sign you have in front of our
- 18 podium, that is the power crisis here in California, and
- 19 what can integrated management of waste do to help
- 20 alleviate that power crisis.
- 21 So I recognize that specific issue would not be
- 22 before you today, but I would urge you to keep that in
- 23 mind as you determine how these additional funds would be
- 24 used, and we think that helping to address the California
- 25 power crisis, in fact, should be higher on your list of

- 1 priorities.
- With respect to the other issues on the point of
- 3 collection of the fee, we have no position, at this point
- 4 in time. We're not necessarily opposed to changes in that
- 5 record and we'd be happy to enter into further dialogue
- 6 with the Board and with the Legislature as that issue
- 7 proceeds.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 9 White.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Could we get your
- 11 perspective on inerts?
- 12 (Laughter.).
- MR. WHITE: Well, I'd be happy to give you -- I
- 14 mean, the current legislation that's in place was
- 15 originally designed to give the Board enough time to
- 16 address the issue through rule-making. I think you
- 17 pointed out that issue in the Glendale meeting, Mr. Eaton,
- 18 is unfortunately the Board for a variety of perfectly good
- 19 reasons has not been able to get the issue of how inerts
- 20 ought to be regulated through a rule-making process.
- 21 The legislation that is now intended to provide
- 22 an amendment is just simply to provide a little more time
- 23 to give the Board a chance to appropriately address how
- 24 inerts should be regulated under your authority. And if
- 25 ultimately a fee is charged for the disposal of inerts, we

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- 1 wouldn't necessarily be opposed to that, as long as it's
- 2 done uniformly and broadly and fairly to all individuals
- 3 managing inert waste.
- 4 Although I think our position would be to suggest
- 5 that probably inert materials that are like soil, rock,
- 6 gravel that are being put in from mine reclamation, is
- 7 that really the disposal of solid waste of that type is a
- 8 beneficial use of the inert material for a legitimate mine
- 9 reclamation project.
- 10 But again, we'd be happy to enter into an ongoing
- 11 discussion and try to find equitable solutions to address
- 12 your concerns.
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: So if I hear you right, you
- 14 think that inerts could be a part of the equation to what
- 15 extent there is an open question. And it's my position
- 16 that it's not charging the fee on inerts, but rather it's
- 17 a definitional issue, because there has been or was a fee
- 18 always included in inerts as to what's going to be
- 19 included as not subject to a fee versus what is. And that
- 20 can be very limiting with respect to what revenue is
- 21 generated, depending upon how the definition is
- 22 interpreted.
- Now, if that's a new fee, it would be just what
- 24 is in and what's out as opposed to creating a new fee.
- MR. WHITE: Exactly. I mean, the earlier staff

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- 1 proposal on inert regulations under the C&D regulation
- 2 created a tiered structure where clean inerts wouldn't be
- 3 viewed as a waste disposal activity, but dirty inerts and
- 4 C&D waste would be considered a disposal activity.
- 5 But there's a variety of different ways to
- 6 configure it. I don't think a final decision has been
- 7 made how this Board through the public process, would
- 8 ultimately configure that. We certainly would like to be
- 9 engaged to deal with you on that and have further
- 10 discussions, and I think everything is on the table for
- 11 discussion.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: One of the things, Chuck, I
- 15 mean, we were ready to approve the C&D regs when BOE sent
- 16 out the bills, and then everything got kind of skewed.
- 17 And so the C&D regs and the inert regs were ready to go
- 18 forward. They were absolutely ready to be voted on,
- 19 until -- and then this issue got absolutely spun out of
- 20 control with the fee issue.
- 21 So I think that in fairness we've got to -- we
- 22 really have a set of regs that could go forward tomorrow,
- 23 I mean, whatever the timing is. And then the issue
- 24 becomes, you know, the fee issue. And so I think that, in
- 25 my view, is if the legislation to continue the sunset --

- 1 to extend the sunset is just so we can do our reg package,
- 2 I think we can do our reg package, then we don't need the
- 3 legislation, then we can get to the other issue, because
- 4 you know, it always bothered me that we were ready to
- 5 vote.
- I mean we were ready to vote when this thing got
- 7 spun. And so I don't think we need legislation. I mean,
- 8 my own personal view, I don't think the legislation has
- 9 got to keep going so we can figure out the regs. You
- 10 know, I think we need to get the regs in front of us and
- 11 figure out who needs to pay fees.
- 12 MR. WHITE: My understanding was the Board was
- 13 doing a survey of all the inert facilities and getting
- 14 information and would come back to you later this year on
- 15 the results of that study and survey, at which point in
- 16 time you would then craft your C&D regulation, and then
- 17 sometime next year or beyond you'd have a new reg package,
- 18 reflective of that study. But, again, that's, you know --
- 19 I'm probably not exactly clear on that.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 21 White.
- Mr. Eaton.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I think that all the Board
- 24 members and the speakers are through.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, we are.

1 BOARD MEMBER EATON: We have really made some

- 2 valid points. And I would tend to agree with each of you.
- 3 How we piece this together really becomes the crux,
- 4 because as everyone was mentioning, was nice enough to say
- 5 about my point about the diversion, the real key question,
- 6 the reason why I raised it, the revenues are declining
- 7 because we are doing our job. On the other hand, there
- 8 are other needs.
- 9 For instance, yesterday we had an issue with
- 10 household hazardous waste where we were short. I believe,
- 11 and I correct me, that those kinds of programs tend to be
- 12 more expensive than the programs that we have
- 13 traditionally looked at across the Board that the Board
- 14 has done.
- 15 So while the point that I raise is that, I think,
- 16 there is a case to be made for whatever it is that we've
- 17 done, we haven't made the case. We know that there's
- 18 dollars out there. Everyone knows it.
- 19 As has been mentioned, we haven't looked at
- 20 how -- what we spend it on or how we spend it. You know,
- 21 we find monies here or things that have been stowed away.
- 22 And quite frankly there really wasn't any board
- 23 information with regard to a pledge until about a couple
- 24 of years a that hasn't continued up to this date to
- 25 remember in spring this year we had a budget briefing, I

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- 1 believe, by each of us.
- 2 So that, at least, under the current
- 3 gubernatorial, administration has been opened up to
- 4 greater scrutiny by the Board Members, not enough quite
- 5 frankly.
- 6 And the other issue that I want to bring in, and
- 7 this is, you know, my sort of political cap coming on, we
- 8 only get one bite of the apple, and we have to remember we
- 9 got a fee increase for the tires. And that those who will
- 10 be looking at it as we do this will say well, they got an
- 11 increase here, they got an increase there.
- 12 And so am I saying back off? Absolutely not.
- 13 I'm saying, we have a case to be made, and I think we have
- 14 a case to be made for putting together a whole new
- 15 structure as to how we fund, what problems have confronted
- 16 us in this -- future, now and in the future, based upon
- 17 whatever board members think.
- 18 I think trying to just go within our statutory --
- 19 was it six cents. We ought to be careful, because that
- 20 hurt us. I'm not saying that we shouldn't. Did that hurt
- 21 us in terms of the overall that we need, are we going to
- 22 be short, because I think we get one bite at the apple.
- 23 How we do that, I think should be the discussion
- 24 that we, as board members, have now, what is the best way
- 25 to begin that process. And a timeframe, I think you've

- 1 been very timely. I know as gubernatorial appointees no
- 2 one wants to see fee increases raised at all.
- I can also tell you that, you know, they will
- 4 also look at reserves as things get tighter and tighter.
- 5 And perhaps the former President pro tem can tell us how
- 6 they had to deal with them, you know, some eight, nine
- 7 years ago, if it really does really down turn.
- 8 But we have to make a case, and we have to make a
- 9 case for what it is. I think, at that point, the speakers
- 10 in the industry would be behind us, if they could figure
- 11 out and say this is really a valid program that needs to
- 12 be funded, they'll be there for us.
- 13 So as to how we proceed with the discussion, I'd
- 14 like to have it now, if possible, if others think that
- 15 that's appropriate.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Who was
- 17 next over here, was it Senator Roberti or Mr. Paparian.
- 18 Senator.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I actually wanted to go
- 20 back a little bit to, I think, a point Mr. White was
- 21 making on the use of the fee, and just indicate that I
- 22 hope that the Board creates a position where we would
- 23 restructure ourselves, so that we put all waste energy
- 24 proposals under one hat, because that is a very current
- 25 issue. And the way we're structured right now there's --

- 1 the tendency is in getting lost in other things.
- 2 So I actually agree that that is something that
- 3 we should do. And if we have proposals that are being
- 4 made, probably could be done working with all the various
- 5 groups, environmental groups, energy groups and waste
- 6 management groups to come up with some proposals on an
- 7 issue that is very, very current and would be a way of
- 8 reducing our waste stream for hopefully a very beneficial
- 9 use. It's very controversial, but that doesn't mean it
- 10 can't be worked out.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Right. And I
- 12 brought that up at the briefing. And I would certainly
- 13 like to see, you know, if we decide to come back to this,
- 14 us working together with industry to see how we could
- 15 devote this to this very, very real crisis. But I don't
- 16 know if you're finished yet, Senator.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I'm finished.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Madam Chair, if you'd like
- 19 to propose it, maybe the thing to do is -- you know,
- 20 you're so fond of saying some of us have been here a lot
- 21 longer. I don't have a real good handle of the inventory
- 22 of what actual programs we spend on waste to energy. And
- 23 I think that's what you're struggling for, too. So that
- 24 kind of fits in or dovetails with what the Senator is
- 25 talking about in terms of how do you bring it all under

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- 1 one umbrella.
- 2 First, what inventory do we have of what we have
- 3 now, and that's really where I think you want to go,
- 4 without putting words in your mouth, to basically get to
- 5 the point where you can recommend some alternative energy
- 6 proposals that will be beneficial, because maybe we're
- 7 funding things at levels that are too high for what we get
- 8 out of it. And there's maybe some creative thinking, I
- 9 think, if you have proposals on energy, I'm sure you do,
- 10 that are much more beneficial to the state and should be
- 11 funded in lieu of or in addition to. I think how do we
- 12 get that inventory until we get that inventory.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Does staff feel
- 14 they could get this together by -- I really -- correct me
- 15 if I'm wrong, I don't see us voting this increase today.
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: No, but getting an inventory
- 17 should be helpful.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: But if we can get
- 19 an inventory and if you could get back to us by the August
- 20 meeting that's what would be my preference, especially
- 21 hearing the speakers, because I do -- I would like all
- 22 industry with us. And, you know, I think we could sit
- 23 down and reasonably discuss this, especially if we're
- 24 devoting this to energy and waste to energy, landfill gas
- 25 to energy.

- 1 I would certainly hope that industry would be
- 2 with us. And please correct me if I'm wrong, Mr. Paparian
- 3 and Mr. Medina, did you want to vote on this resolution
- 4 today or do you need more information?
- 5 Mr. Paparian.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I feel that the issues
- 7 are clear. You know, I'll defer to you. If you feel like
- 8 we should have more time --
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: So you're ready
- 10 to vote on this six cents today, is that what you're
- 11 saying?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Madam Chairman, I'm also
- 15 ready to vote. I do share Mr. Eaton's concern in regard
- 16 to how this would affect future legislative action in
- 17 regard to a fee increase, but I am ready to vote on this
- 18 matter today.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti?
- 20 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I'm ready to vote, but I
- 21 would defer to the Chair if you have a strong reason --
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, I just want
- 23 to make -- from my perspective, you know, I think we
- 24 should go ahead with the six cents, but, you know, I want
- 25 to make sure that if we have a legislative proposal, at

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- 1 least that six cents is devoted to energy. And, you know,
- 2 I need help from staff as to how that's going to happen.
- But, you know, I can go ahead and, you know, vote
- 4 but I still want to see you come back with something with
- 5 energy. And then I think we need to, you know, go ahead
- 6 with the legislative proposal. And I think that should
- 7 be -- some part of it should be tied to energy.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair?
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'd like us to think about
- 11 the point of collection as providing a lot more dollars
- 12 than the six cents. But I would also like us to look at
- 13 the inert issue, and at the same time we -- part of the
- 14 testimony was offered that, you know, how do we get all
- 15 these -- how do we spend all this money, how does it get
- 16 allocated?
- 17 I'll tell you that the last -- since 1997 every
- 18 dollar that was spent was based on the strategic plan, so
- 19 I'm glad -- you know, I know that that's important to you.
- 20 I mean, that's how -- every dollar that was spent had a
- 21 target on it and said this is strict -- this would be like
- 22 strategic number one -- not strategic, but whatever the
- 23 right word was, goal one or whatever since '97 I think.
- 24 So I do appreciate what you said, because that's
- 25 absolutely -- I agree with you one hundred percent.

- One of the things I think that we all need to 1 2 recognize is these budgets came in front of all of us, so 3 we approved these budgets as board members. And it kind 4 of sounded like you know maybe we didn't. And the dollars 5 we spent are approved by us. The scope of work that we 6 spend is approved by us. Staff doesn't run these things, 7 we run these things. I think what we need to do, and I had a quick 9 discussion with Bonnie a couple of weeks ago or a week 10 ago, under the budget process because it's a confidential 11 document, I guess we can't bill the budget in public. And 12 we can't meet -- I don't know, can we meet in closed 13 session as a board to deal with budget? 14 CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR FISH: (Shaking head.) BOARD MEMBER JONES: The answer a no. She's 15 16 shaking her head, no. Do you agree with that? 17 18 Come on AG. 19 (Laughter.) BOARD MEMBER JONES: Think about it, Russell. 20 But that's okay, I asked Russell to think about 21 22 it. Maybe he can figure out a way that we can. But maybe what we need to do to get a better 23 24 handle on this is what Bonnie was talking about which is a
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25 zero base budget, so that Board members understand what

- 1 the expenditures are that are important, what are
- 2 mandated, what we have discretion on, where are the
- 3 discretionary dollars.
- 4 Yesterday, we talked about audio casting. It's
- 5 not a lot of money, but it's \$18,000, that has to come
- 6 from somewhere. So we need to look out -- I'll tell you
- 7 what we did four years ago. Each board office was allowed
- 8 to bring one person to a board meeting that was out of
- 9 town, because we didn't have any money. We had 50 slots
- 10 that weren't filled. We had people that we couldn't -- we
- 11 had divisions that needed people to do fundamental jobs,
- 12 and we didn't have the money to do it. We couldn't fill
- 13 it.
- We had to look at how do we manage what we have.
- 15 I would ask through the Chair to have discussions with
- 16 board officers after this meeting to come up with a way
- 17 that we can manage what we have, in order to meet -- take
- 18 more of a handle of it, figure out where our dollars are
- 19 being spent, so that we can make determinations as to
- 20 where we're going to drop, so we know what we really need.
- 21 And I think we can do this pretty rapidly. And
- 22 then determine how do we get there. You know, do we do it
- 23 through change in the point of collection. Does that give
- 24 us enough dollars? Is it in combination with point of
- 25 collection and the six cents? Is it in combination with

- 1 another legislative proposal.
- 2 But right now, I'm not comfortable that we are in
- 3 a position to do that. Sure we can raise the fee. I'm
- 4 not going to vote to raise the fee, because I think it's
- 5 important that we look at the point of collection. And I
- 6 don't want to lose the impact of that.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Why can't we do
- 8 both?
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I tell you what, I'd be --
- 10 if we're willing to put that proposal forward to do both
- 11 and to deal with the inerts all at the same time, then I
- 12 can probably support it. But the one thing that Chuck was
- 13 saying July 1st was enough time for the industry to put
- 14 the six cents into the factor.
- 15 Those of you that have been city council members,
- 16 board of supervisors, whatever, usually give your
- 17 operators more time when you have a rate increase to get
- 18 it in.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yeah, I was
- 20 surprised.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I was shocked when he said
- 22 July 1st. I don't know how you can make that change.
- 23 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: I believe he was
- 24 speaking of 2002. July 1st, 2002.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: July 1st, 2002, well I

- 1 retract what I said because normally --
- 2 (Laughter.)
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I was thinking
- 4 that's what he might mean.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That never occurred to me.
- 6 That absolutely never occurred to me, that it was 2002.
- 7 I don't know. And my 22 years of experience is
- 8 out the window, I didn't learn anything in that time.
- 9 Usually, I can get a rate increase through in three
- 10 months, three or four months to get that rate structure
- 11 done.
- 12 And that would seem to me to be an appropriate
- 13 time. Thirteen months, may be a stretch, but maybe we go
- 14 13 months and we do point of collection and we do the
- 15 inerts, then maybe that would work.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti.
- 17 I'm sorry.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER EATON: When would this be
- 19 effective?
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: July 1st, 2002.
- 21 Is that what staff had in mind, because mine was blank and
- 22 I wasn't sure. I thought that was really generous of
- 23 Waste Management.
- 24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: That's what we had
- 25 discussed in relation to making sure that we get the BCPs

- 1 in place, et cetera. I know that Mr. Paparian at the
- 2 briefing had asked if it could be looked at as far as like
- 3 January 1st, doing early implementation. And, of course,
- 4 it all depends on the BCP process.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 6 Thanks for clearing that up.
- 7 Senator Roberti.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair, you had in
- 9 the long week kind of indicated it would give us a chance
- 10 to deal with one issue that definitely needs addressing,
- 11 that is the question of the inerts. I think this Board
- 12 can move within that amount of time to deal with the
- 13 equity issue involved there. And then hopefully the more
- 14 difficult question what we can do about exporting of trash
- 15 out of state, and we're not collecting the tipping fee.
- 16 That may take some legislative assistance, but it will
- 17 give us also a chance to put our proposal forward.
- 18 CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR FISH: Madam Chairman.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes.
- 20 CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR FISH: If I can make a
- 21 suggestion. We could take the next six months up until
- 22 January 1st to put all of these pieces together including
- 23 the finalization of our strategic plan, going through the
- 24 BCP process, which is confidential, working with agency as
- 25 well as the Governor's office with proposals that the

- 1 Board believes need to go forward, and then January 1st
- 2 bring these all back together with information that is
- 3 then included in the Governor's budget and discuss then a
- 4 fee increase, whether there's a fee attached to inerts
- 5 through the legislative process, point of collection
- 6 through the legislative process.
- 7 You will all then have a picture and a strategic
- 8 plan which you have presented as well as BCPs that you
- 9 know have been accepted by the Administration, and come
- 10 back and fully discuss this with a plan developed in
- 11 place. And then through the next six months go through
- 12 the legislative comment process, because then they review
- 13 the Administration's budget and that can then be in the
- 14 scheduled meetings with the public participation.
- 15 See, up until that point in time, we cannot have
- 16 public participation in the budget process, because it is
- 17 confidential. And so that would give you all the
- 18 information and allow you to align your resources to the
- 19 strategic plan and then move forward with BCP concepts and
- 20 proposals and know whether or not they have been accepted.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Madam Chair?
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah. I'd like to --
- 24 some of those thoughts and suggestions were good. I think
- 25 there's a chicken and egg issue. At what point do we

- 1 declare that the fee is being raised and give people, you
- 2 know, notice and know, in fact, how much money is going to
- 3 come in.
- 4 So what I'd like to do is go ahead and put the
- 5 motion on the table and see where we go with it. And so
- 6 I'd like to move resolution 2001-216 with the resolved
- 7 reading that the Board approves an increase in the IWM fee
- 8 from \$1.34 per ton to \$1.40 cents per ton to be effective
- 9 July 1st, 2002. I'd also like to in that over the next
- 10 few months we then work to come up with some of the
- 11 proposals that have been discussed, the inerts, the point
- 12 of collection, how we might earmark some of this money for
- 13 energy use and so forth.
- 14 So that's my motion.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. So it
- 16 would probably look at the export issue, point of
- 17 collection, the inerts and how we could help in the energy
- 18 crisis.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Correct.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I'll second that motion.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, Mr. Jones.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just a comment, that the
- 25 six-month hiatus to deal with it that Karin Fish was

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- 1 talking about, actually makes a lot of sense, because the
- 2 tire fee, if it gets out and we start getting those funds,
- 3 are going to in about 33 or \$34 million to our budget.
- 4 And clearly that 33 or \$34 million is going to
- 5 have an impact on programs. It's also going to have an
- 6 impact on what we do and how we move some things around to
- 7 better manage this facility. But what that does is it's
- 8 adding a huge piece of money to the budget of this place.
- 9 And at the same time we're saying and we want another six
- 10 cents on this, and we want to look at point of collection
- 11 and we want to look at inerts.
- I think that we are -- I think, I agree with Mr.
- 13 Eaton when we says that, you know that we only get one
- 14 bite of the apple. And the perception that we're getting
- 15 a \$35 million increase even though it is in tires could
- 16 negatively affect us when we talk about point of
- 17 collection. And while I got excited when you had
- 18 suggested that we could do them all at the same time, I'm
- 19 worried about the perception. I'm also worried in an
- 20 election year when we're getting \$34 million that another
- 21 two or three million may not be the message that we want
- 22 to be carrying until we know.
- 23 And maybe in six months, seven months we're going
- 24 to know what the impact of that tire fee is. So I'm not
- 25 going to be able to support -- in fact, I'm going to offer

- 1 an alternative motion, Madam Chair.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER JONES: My alternative motion is
- 4 that we continue this item for six months while we develop
- 5 the background of what this is going to take, how the fee
- 6 would look, also at the same time working on a legislative
- 7 project for point of collection and the inert waste
- 8 stream.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And I'll second it just so I
- 10 can have a chance to perhaps maybe convince my colleagues
- 11 that Mr. Jones is on the right track here.
- 12 I don't have any problems with the fee, but think
- 13 about what we're doing here. We're declaring a fee
- 14 increase and then we're telling the public then we're
- 15 going to go figure out why we need the fee increase. I
- 16 mean, that's really what we're doing here. And that to me
- 17 is just putting, you know, the cart before the horse here.
- 18 Yes, there is a need, but how do we justify to
- 19 the public when the tire fee was being promulgated? I
- 20 think at one point we all saw what the local retailers
- 21 were doing. Due to the State of California, we have to
- 22 charge you \$3. You don't think over the next year that as
- 23 this increase that is about to be voted on, if it is
- 24 successful, isn't going to have the same result in the
- 25 public arena?

- 1 And when people begin to question us, what is our
- 2 response? Well, we raised the fee, but now we're going to
- 3 go back and look at as to how we're going to spend it. I
- 4 think, I believe, that there is a way to accomplish, Mr.
- 5 Paparian, what you're trying to reach, and I don't have
- 6 any problem with that, you must understand that, you must
- 7 believe me.
- 8 What you didn't even put in your motion whether
- 9 or not Madam Chair's BCP is going to be part of it. You,
- 10 under your motion, cannot do her energy, under your
- 11 motion. That was what staff talked about. If you're
- 12 going to use it for other alternatives, then you must
- 13 approve a BCP. That's the kind of -- we don't need that
- 14 kind of public policy making here. We're a much brighter
- 15 group of individuals and a much smarter and a much more
- 16 far-thinking group of individuals here to look at that.
- 17 The way to do it is similar to what Mr. Jones', a
- 18 prudent BCP process, get going, say in three months we're
- 19 going to basically go out and get our information
- 20 together. More importantly, I think we could have some
- 21 hearings around the State. We are going, you know, to
- 22 southern California a couple of times. It doesn't have to
- 23 be special meetings.
- I just have a hard time, from a process
- 25 standpoint approving something and then telling people,

- 1 yeah, now we're going to go find a reason -- we're going
- 2 to explain to you the reasons why we're doing it. That's
- 3 not, I don't think, your intention. I'm not accusing you
- 4 of that. Please believe me.
- 5 I'm just trying to get the right process so that
- 6 we can be defending. I personally like the fact of going
- 7 for a statutory increase, because I think we have a higher
- 8 need and cost factor as raised programs continue to get
- 9 greater diversion for those programs that we don't have
- 10 the ability to fund right now or that we don't fund at a
- 11 proper level, whether that be, you know, household
- 12 hazardous waste, you know, antifreeze, you know, Ewaste,
- 13 whatever it may be.
- I'm not trying to get your pet projects, but I'm
- 15 just saying, those kinds of things. How are you going to
- 16 defend to the Administration the fact that the rates
- 17 increased and we're now going to go out and explain to
- 18 people and need more information now.
- 19 And also, I mean, under the motion, you've got --
- 20 if you want to, you know, support the Chair's thing on
- 21 energy, then you've got to put the BCP in, that's what you
- 22 just heard, and that's what the Governor's office wants.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I could support
- 24 the substitute motion if it was tied to the BCP or however
- 25 we do it. And if you said come back in August. This

- 1 is -- we need this now.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Absolutely.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: The crisis is
- 4 now. Could you do that?
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yeah, You're saying to
- 6 continue this. My motion was to continue it for six
- 7 months, but you want me to come back in August with how
- 8 we're going to deal with point of collection, how we're
- 9 going to deal with inerts how we're going to deal with the
- 10 BCP?
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, I just
- 12 want -- I want to see the six cents part of it done. I
- 13 mean, you told me in 1996 that industry, everybody was
- 14 ready to go. And here it's 2001 and we're having -- you
- 15 know, we're having a huge energy crisis and if we can't
- 16 vote six cents and devote it to energy, I don't think
- 17 we're doing our part.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Right, but I think what Mr.
- 19 Eaton was saying is that we may not be able to get the BCP
- 20 approved for energy to use the six cents.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: But we can sure
- 22 try.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So let's use the next six
- 24 months and see if we can do that.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Madam Chair.

- 1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Senator Roberti.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I would love to be able to
- 3 devote the six cents to energy, but that is not addressing
- 4 what, in my mind, is the very immediate need for the six
- 5 cent increase that has just come upon us. The Legislature
- 6 voted two days ago, or one of the Committees, to take the
- 7 money out of -- to clean the Los Angeles River, to take
- 8 the money out of our small counties -- farmer ranch fund,
- 9 which I understand is committed money.
- 10 Then that was changed and yesterday -- and I
- 11 support the cleanup of the LA River, absolutely, don't get
- 12 me wrong.
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Perfectly clear.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: It's a high priority, high
- 15 priority --
- 16 (Laughter.)
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: -- for any number of
- 18 reasons, some of which I won't speak about.
- 19 (Laughter.)
- 20 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: But then yesterday they
- 21 took the money out of our General Fund.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: 2136, I believe.
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Excuse me, 2136.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yes.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: So the point is that for

- 1 the six cents I don't believe we're looking at a new
- 2 program that hasn't been specified. We are trying to keep
- 3 our nose above water just to maintain where we are.
- 4 So that is what really, in my mind, is pressing
- 5 my vote over and before what I would ever contemplate a
- 6 week ago.
- 7 Now, as far as waste to energy, I think that's
- 8 going to take a lot more time. It's going to take some
- 9 work, and certainly we should do absolutely nothing
- 10 further until we take care of the inequity of the inerts,
- 11 which are a glaring inequity and we have a general program
- 12 that we have to involve ourselves in.
- But right now we're juggling balls of trying to
- 14 figure out how we take care of more than one thing that
- 15 are on our plate right now, that we have to engage in on a
- 16 \$1.34 fee, which is becoming fewer and fewer dollars with
- 17 every passing month. So it's not a question of not having
- 18 a program. The program is in place right now and we don't
- 19 have the money to do what we're supposed to be doing right
- 20 now, and that's why the \$1.34 to \$1.40.
- I absolutely understand industry's desire to have
- 22 lead time. And I think we are being fair by giving them
- 23 12 and a half months. I mean that's fair and nobody wants
- 24 to press industry and force them to move in an arbitrary
- 25 or vindictive fashion on the part of the Board. That's

- 1 not the point. We are trying to keep pace and we are not
- 2 keeping pace with what we have to do.
- 3 I'd love to talk about the new program. I
- 4 absolutely agree with Mr. Eaton that we cannot discuss a
- 5 fee increase on something new, if we don't have the new
- 6 thing in place. It's the last thing that will sell with
- 7 the Legislature. The only thing that sells less is not to
- 8 have spent your money that you already have, because that
- 9 invites a taking, and that's not a popular way to go
- 10 either.
- 11 So we're just trying to keep our nose above water
- 12 with what we have on the agenda and what the Legislature
- 13 has given us to do. Some of the pressure for cleaning up
- 14 the LA River is coming from the Legislature,
- 15 understandably, righteously, but that's just more money
- 16 that we need to do it.
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Mr.
- 18 Paparian was next.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I think the BCP issue
- 20 that's been talked about, it's a recipe for long delays in
- 21 dealing with this issue. I think we should just vote and
- 22 vote up or down basically whether we're going to go with
- 23 the \$1.40 or not.
- You know, I, for that reason, oppose this
- 25 substitute motion. I suggest we just get to the vote and

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- 1 get this over with.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 3 Mr. Medina, then we'll vote on the substitute
- 4 motion.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Madam Chair, I base my
- 6 support of the increase in the fee to the statutory limit
- 7 based on the arguments that the staff made in their
- 8 recommendations, the loss of the purchasing power of the
- 9 fee due to inflation, the fact that the average California
- 10 landfill tipping fees have kept peace with inflation, and
- 11 projects which will be stemming from the new strategic
- 12 plan under development.
- And that's why I support the recommendation to
- 14 raise the fee. I am concerned about the loss of dollars
- 15 of shipping waste out of State, the inerts and the point
- 16 of collection as well as the use of some of the six cent
- 17 fee for waste related projects.
- 18 However, I do think that the arguments have been
- 19 made and put together by staff in recommending the
- 20 increase. I think those are very valid and that's what I
- 21 base my support for the increase.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. And
- 23 we need to vote on the substitute motion first, I believe.
- 24 And Mr. Jones could you restate your motion so we can vote
- 25 on it.

1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yes, Madam Chair. My

- 2 alternate motion is to continue this item for six months
- 3 and develop point of collection data and a proposal inert
- 4 data and a proposal, the impact of the tire fee on the
- 5 CIWM, and explore a BCP on using whatever increases we get
- 6 towards the energy, and explore our expenses. And then we
- 7 still have seven months, if we decide in six months, the
- 8 industry would have seven months to implement the plan,
- 9 which is plenty of time to do a rate increase that mirrors
- 10 this.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I second the motion. And
- 12 I'd just like to say that I also think that at this
- 13 critical time that the Legislature is deciding the fate of
- 14 our budget, I would rather have our budget secure and then
- 15 have a vote on getting additional funds. Because if this
- 16 money is not -- the additional fee would go to our General
- 17 Fund IWMA; is that correct?
- 18 CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR FISH: (Nodding head.)
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: If there's any fund that
- 20 would be vulnerable to theft for a reason that they could
- 21 create a nexus unlike used oil, which has to have a nexus
- 22 to oil, but they could use it for any waste related kinds
- 23 of issues, they could actually access the special fund,
- 24 because it is the General Fund.
- 25 I don't know why we would want to vote for the

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1 fee increase before our budget is secured, but be that as
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- 2 it may --
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Point of clarification,
- 4 you know. As I understand my own motion, it does not
- 5 relate to the budget year that the Legislature is now
- 6 considering. It relates to the budget year 2002/2003.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER EATON: It doesn't make a
- 8 difference, they can still cut it.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm very aware we
- 10 have a substitute motion on the floor with a second, but
- 11 I'm going to ask for a ten-minute break right now, and
- 12 then we'll vote when we come back.
- 13 (Thereupon a brief recess was taken.)
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones, would
- 15 you please restate your substitute motion? I'd like to
- 16 see a much shorter time line.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay. Madam Chair, based on
- 18 a shorter time line, I would like to continue this item
- 19 and direct staff to have a workshop on the first week of
- 20 August to talk about -- to develop the point of collection
- 21 for the IWMA fee, to deal with the inert issue. We're
- 22 going to discuss the impacts. We may not have a fully
- 23 disclosed -- but the impacts of the tire fee on the CIWMB.
- 24 We're going to develop a BCP for the energy component of
- 25 any fee increase, and then after that August workshop --

- 1 or that first week of August workshop, there would be a
- 2 discussion item to come back in the first week of
- 3 September after whatever holiday, Labor Day, I guess, for
- 4 a consideration item to act on the recommendations and
- 5 findings that were developed out of that August workshop.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Do we have
- 7 a second for Mr. Jones.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'll second that motion.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Call for
- 10 the question?
- 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 15 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: No.
- 17 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 18 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: No.
- 19 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 20 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: No.
- 21 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes.
- 23 Okay, the motion fails. I'm afraid we might have
- 24 another motion fail.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.

- 1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: May I offer that I
- 3 understand the need to deal with the fee issue. The
- 4 original motion is going to put in place a fee that would
- 5 become effective July 1st, 2002. I submit that there is
- 6 plenty of time based on an August workshop and a September
- 7 special meeting that the outcome of that could still be
- 8 made effective July 1st, 2002 if that would give members a
- 9 comfort level.
- 10 I mean, I'll commit that I can support -- I'll be
- 11 more than happy to support whatever outcome comes of that
- 12 meeting, that it becomes implemented on July 1st, 2002,
- 13 which mirrors the existing one, but this would give us a
- 14 chance to not only develop the energy BCP, which I think
- 15 is critical and I know the members are very, very
- 16 committed to, but it will also give us a chance to really
- 17 get into the export issues and the point of collection
- 18 issues and what that benefit will be in conjunction with
- 19 the other fees.
- 20 And I would hope and ask, you know, otherwise I
- 21 think you're right -- I think that another motion may
- 22 fail, and then I don't know where we go from there.
- CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, okay. So
- 24 we have a main motion on the floor, and it is seconded. I
- 25 would ask the maker of the motion to, you know, for my

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- 1 support, if you could be more specific about tying it to a
- 2 BCP for energy. Are you willing to do that?
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes. And let me get some
- 4 clarification here, and this is where I -- the BCP process
- 5 okay, is such that, you asked for a -- you prepare a BCP
- 6 and send it to Finance, right?
- 7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: We prepare a BCP, submit
- 8 it to agency for review and if it's approved at agency, it
- 9 goes to Finance.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Right. And the BCP is
- 11 for a budget change, in fact, that's what it's called,
- 12 it's a budget change proposal, right?
- 13 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: That's correct.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: And it's based on
- 15 diverting revenues we expect to have, right?
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: It would be for a change
- 17 in program or increased expenditure authority, which is
- 18 what we would be asking for if you're increasing the fee
- 19 for a specific reason.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. If we don't
- 21 increase the fee, submitting a BCP to me seems like -- it
- 22 seems like a not starter with Finance. If we sent over a
- 23 BCP, I'm just trying to clarify what it is we're asking.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'm not saying
- 25 don't increase the fee.

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- 1 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I know. I'm trying to
- 2 help our folks down at the end of table, too.
- 3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: As long as you're
- 4 practicing --
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Would that be me, Mr.
- 6 Paparian you're trying to help? You can refer to me by my
- 7 name.
- 8 (Laughter.)
- 9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: As long as you're
- 10 prefacing the BCP that the Board is taking a vote on
- 11 increasing the fee, that will justify that BCP. Now, the
- 12 fact that it hasn't been voted in yet, you know, it would
- 13 be a negotiating factor with Finance. And then it has to
- 14 go to the Governor's office from that point and then to
- 15 the Legislature if it's approved.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. So the change that
- 17 I'm accepting is that we do, in the motion, in that there
- 18 will be development of an energy related BCP to come back.
- 19 Does it need to come back to us for review?
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I thought they
- 21 were confidential.
- DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: They are confidential.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. It would be
- 24 development of an energy related BCP. Do we need a time
- 25 on that Madam Chair?

1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, when does

- 2 it need to be -- when is the deadline at getting it in?
- 3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: The concepts are
- 4 currently going to be looked at the beginning of July by
- 5 agency. Your actual full BCP's are due to agency late
- 6 August and to Finance in September.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, I'd imagine
- 8 they'd start -- we have a lot of people that are already
- 9 working on this, so I imagine it could be done right away.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay, so the time -- we
- 11 can work within the timeframe. We understand that, and so
- 12 it could be done, we don't need to put a date certain in
- 13 the motion.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Energy projects,
- 15 staff. Okay, I'm sorry.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Energy projects, is that
- 17 the way you wanted it worded?
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: No, I was just
- 19 saying I wanted to clarify. We didn't have people working
- 20 on the BCP already, but we had them -- we have staff
- 21 that's already working on energy projects, so it's not
- 22 like starting at ground zero on the BCP.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. I think we're
- 24 clear.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, is that

- 1 okay with you, Mr. Medina?
- 2 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I just had a question in
- 3 regards to the BCP and whether the BCP would be based on
- 4 the six cents being totally used for an energy related
- 5 project?
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: You know, I want
- 7 to be reasonable here, but, you know, I know I agree with
- 8 Senator Roberti, I agree with all of you that we've got an
- 9 awful lot of other needs too, but we're facing a crisis in
- 10 this state like never before. And, you know, I'd like to
- 11 make some statement that we are going to do something, and
- 12 that's my whole thought in at least a portion of the six
- 13 cents going to energy related landfill to gas, whatever,
- 14 so we can do our part to help with the energy crisis.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I assume when you put
- 16 together the BCPs you work with the Chair's office?
- 17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: The Chair's office has
- 18 final review.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: So hopefully that will
- 20 take care of review and assurance that it's been dealt
- 21 with responsibly in comparison to the rest of the budget
- 22 related issues.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: And the reason that I raise
- 24 that issue is because I supported a fee increase again due
- 25 to the inflation factor and the other factors that the

- 1 staff included in their recommendation. And so I want to
- 2 make sure that those considerations are taken care of, and
- 3 you know, I support energy related projects, but I want to
- 4 see that those issues that were raised by staff are
- 5 addressed also.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Call for
- 7 the question.
- 8 Excuse me, Mr. Jones.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just one question, Madam
- 10 Chair. Then based on this motion what we're talking about
- 11 is the six cents, we're not talking about the point of
- 12 collection. We're not talking about fee equity. We're
- 13 not talking inerts. So any BCP that gets written, gets
- 14 written for a total of the six cents. It doesn't look at
- 15 anything else.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yes, it does. My
- 17 original motion included that staff would come back within
- 18 the next few months and let me make it more specific
- 19 within the next -- by the September meeting with an agenda
- 20 item related to the things we just talked about, the point
- 21 of collection, and out of state, inerts and so forth. So
- 22 that was in the original motion.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. Paparian, just a
- 24 question. The motion that I put together that I had
- 25 offered as an alternative that would have included all

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- 1 those things, would have also included a workshop, so that
- 2 we could spend the day going through these issues trying
- 3 to figure out what the impacts are, trying to figure out
- 4 the legalities, you know, the different point of
- 5 collection issues and the things that surround that.
- 6 And it sounds like the only difference between my
- 7 alternative motion and yours, as you just stated it, is
- 8 that we're presupposed to increasing the fee a July 1st,
- 9 2002 by six cents, but aren't we excluding the ability to
- 10 look at what the impact of point of collection and stuff
- 11 is.
- 12 It would seem to me that that's the only
- 13 difference between our two motions is I'm asking for a
- 14 workshop and a special meeting in September to look at the
- 15 three components to determine what the total impact of
- 16 those potential revenue dollars would be on this Board and
- 17 work through where we would collect it, how we would
- 18 collect it, what the legal impacts are to it, and then
- 19 having a meeting in September to vote on the results of
- 20 that as well as voting on the six cents, and it not be
- 21 implemented until July 1st, 2002.
- 22 So all I've asked differently than yours is to
- 23 today not vote for the six cents, to vote for it in
- 24 September, but to have a workshop to more fully understand
- 25 the impacts. And it's not to circumvent the six cents. I

- 1 don't know the -- I'm not too worried about this.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Is this a question?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: It is a question, and it's
- 4 -- I mean, it's -- the fundamental difference between the
- 5 two, maybe that we have one package that includes a six
- 6 cents, includes the point of collection and includes the
- 7 inert issue as opposed to this motion which just includes
- 8 the six cents and then a discussion.
- 9 And I think the difference could be in the
- 10 millions of dollars. And I'm not saying don't vote on the
- 11 six cents. My motion says let's do it on September 1st
- 12 and make it effective, whatever the outcome is, on July
- 13 1st 2002.
- 14 So we're not talking about a whole lot of
- 15 difference here other than a workshop to fully understand
- 16 those issues that are critical. And I think the six cents
- 17 today ends up minimizing the impact of point of
- 18 collection, and that's a fee equity issue that's basically
- 19 the same as our permitting issues. The real players end
- 20 up living by the rules and getting beat up once in awhile
- 21 when they make a mistake and the guys that are outside of
- 22 the permit boundaries run amuck.
- 23 So I would really ask you to think about -- just
- 24 all I've asked for is that workshop and to include those
- 25 issues. That's the only difference. And I think that we

- 1 have a better understanding at the end of the day. I
- 2 would hope -- and you have -- I'll make it part of the
- 3 motion that any outcomes become effective September 1,
- 4 2002, if I'm able to restate. That's the only difference
- 5 between your motion and mine is the fact that we would
- 6 have a August 1st deadline -- I mean August 1st workshop,
- $7\,$ a September meeting and then looking at the whole pie as
- 8 opposed to one piece of the pie.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: You know, I think the
- 10 motion speaks for itself. I'm comfortable with having a
- 11 workshop to discuss the issues that are mentioned in my
- 12 motion. I think that would be fine to do, but I think the
- 13 issue of the fee increase is clear and we ought to just
- 14 vote on it.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, Call for
- 16 the question.
- 17 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: No.
- 19 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: No.
- 21 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 22 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Yes.
- 23 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 25 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?

BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye. SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson? CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye. And I would like to suggest that we do have a 5 workshop in August, because there is a difference of 6 opinion in here on export, point of collection and the 7 issues that have been brought up. We'll move to Item 29 or did you want to take a 9 lunch break? Okay, we'll recess until 1:30. (Thereupon a lunch recess was taken.)

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- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd like to call
- 3 the meeting back to order. Thank you. We're on item
- 4 number 29, but before we do that, we'll start with Mr.
- 5 Eaton, ex partes.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Just Mark Aprea, just a
- 7 quick hello and how are you.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 9 Mr. Jones?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Denise Delmatier and George
- 11 Larson.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, Mr. Medina.
- 13 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: John Kupps in regard to the
- 14 fee increase.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Mr.
- 16 Paparian.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah Gary Liss regarding
- 18 the strategic plan. George Larson regarding energy issues
- 19 and John Kupps regard the fee increase.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And I have none.
- Okay. I'll turn this over to Ms. Packard.
- 22 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Thank you. Good
- 23 afternoon, Madam Chair and Board members. Rubia Packard
- 24 with the Policy Office. And I'm presenting Agenda Item
- 25 29, which is Consideration Of An Environmental Justice

- 1 Mission Statement And Discussion Of And Request For
- 2 Direction On the Workplan To Develop The Board's
- 3 Environmental Justice Strategy.
- In April of this year, the Board directed staff
- 5 to develop options for consideration of an environmental
- 6 justice mission statement and to develop a more detailed
- 7 workplan for an environmental justice plan strategy here
- 8 at the Board for discussion. This item presents these
- 9 options and a draft workplan as directed.
- In this item we are requesting that the Board
- 11 give us direction on both the mission statement language
- 12 and the workplan. But before I go through the item in
- 13 more detail, I would like to introduce Romel Pascual, who
- 14 is the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Justice with
- 15 CalEPA. He would like to address the Board about
- 16 environmental justice.
- Mr. Pascual is on an inter-governmental personnel
- 18 assignment from USEPA and was brought to CalEPA because of
- 19 his experience and expertise in this area. So he'd like
- 20 to address the Board at this time.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. And
- 22 welcome Mr. Pascual. We're glad you're here.
- 23 CALEPA ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
- 24 PASCUAL: Thank you. Madam Chair, Board Members, good
- 25 afternoon and thank you for listening.

- 1 CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR FISH: Have him take a seat
- 2 Rubia and take a mike.
- 3 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Just sit up here.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: This is more
- 5 comfortable anyway.
- 6 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Is this one on?
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. Sorry
- 8 about that.
- 9 CALEPA ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
- 10 PASCUAL: Good afternoon, and thank you for this
- 11 opportunity to speak to you today on a very important
- 12 issue, the issue of environmental justice. I am Romel
- 13 Pascual, the Assistant Secretary for Environmental Justice
- 14 at CalEPA.
- 15 Environmental Justice is one of the priority
- 16 goals set forth in the agency's strategic vision. As
- 17 you're aware, California passed two landmark pieces of
- 18 legislation, Senate Bill 115 and Senate Bill 89. An
- 19 overview SB 115 gives the California Environmental
- 20 Protection Agency broad responsibilities to include
- 21 environmental justice in a design and implementation of
- 22 programs, policies and activities and the implementation
- 23 of enforcement efforts and a design of public
- 24 participation activities, and in conducting health and
- 25 environmental research and data collection.

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- 1 Wile SB 115 lays out broad responsibilities for
- 2 the agency, AB 89 lays out a structure through which the
- 3 agency operationalizes environmental justice goals. SB 89
- 4 establishes a formation of an interagency working group
- 5 made up of CalEPA's Secretary, the heads of the BDO's and
- 6 the Director of the Governor's office of Planning and
- 7 Research.
- 8 At the same time, the bill also establishes the
- 9 formation of an external advisory committee to the working
- 10 group. It will be the function of these two groups to
- 11 assist CalEPA in developing an agency wide environmental
- 12 justice strategy and provide procedural recommendations on
- 13 a wide variety of EJ related activities.
- 14 This marks the first time that any state has
- 15 adopted environmental justice legislation. And more
- 16 importantly, this represents a tremendous opportunity for
- 17 CalEPA and the Boards to provide leadership and to be
- 18 proactive in addressing environmental justice.
- 19 In general, environmental justice tells us that
- 20 this environment is a series of linkages amongst cultural
- 21 values, environmental health, social dynamics and
- 22 economics. I think we all share the belief that all
- 23 communities have a fundamental right to a safe and healthy
- 24 environment, and that no segment of the population should
- 25 bear disproportionate burdens on environmental pollution.

- 1 Earlier this year, CalEPA released its draft
- 2 mission statement on environmental justice, along with
- 3 program elements to encourage the direction in how we all
- 4 carry out our EJ obligations. In developing the mission
- 5 statement, the environmental justice coordination group,
- 6 with representatives of all BDOs, was pulled together to
- 7 draft a mission statement.
- 8 The agency will continue to seek broad public
- 9 input before finalizing it. As we all know, environmental
- 10 justice has been a national issue for quite some time, and
- 11 there have been a variety of strategies explored and
- 12 implemented at the national level that we at the state can
- 13 benefit from.
- 14 In fact, one can argue that both SB 115 and SB 89
- 15 are modeled after the efforts at the national level. A
- 16 couple a months ago, when I came on board, one of the
- 17 first things we needed was to get a sense of how,
- 18 currently, CalEPA and its board and its departments were
- 19 addressing environmental justice.
- 20 The inventory of EJ activities, which I believe
- 21 you have a copy of now, reflects just a snapshot of
- 22 efforts currently under way in the agency. It was clear
- 23 from the inventory that CalEPA and the BDOs had begun
- 24 addressing environmental justice in a variety of ways.
- 25 For example, we have become more aware for the

- 1 need to consider environmental justice and the way we
- 2 conduct outreach efforts. DTSC, for example, incorporated
- 3 environmental justice into its draft public participation
- 4 guidance policy and guidance manual to be used by DTSC
- 5 staff and to clean up site mitigation and site
- 6 characterization processes.
- We also recognize the need to ensure that
- 8 translation to engage populations affected by decisions we
- 9 make are there to be fully -- I'm sorry, in the decisions
- 10 that we make but have not fully participated in the
- 11 process because of language barriers.
- 12 We have utilized our traditional enforcement
- 13 tools to make tangible, environmental improvements in
- 14 communities impacted by environmental pollution, both in
- 15 rural and urban settings. DPR, for example, has embarked
- 16 on an enforcement effort in the border region, where the
- 17 impact of pesticides exposure affects predominantly
- 18 immigrant and communities of color.
- 19 In another example, DTSC partnered with USEPA as
- 20 well as with the local CUPAs on an initiative in Los
- 21 Angeles. In that initiative it looked at communities in
- 22 south central LA east LA and southeast LAto enforce -- to
- 23 do enforcement activities on hazardous waste sites and
- 24 hazardous materials sites.
- 25 This effort led to US EPA assessing approximately

- 1 \$290,000 in fines related to ten violations of hazardous
- 2 waste facilities. We have also begun to address
- 3 environmental impacts in communities and in sensitive
- 4 populations such as children. These assessments will give
- 5 us a more informed baseline in our effort to reduce
- 6 environmental exposure.
- 7 For example, the Waste Board's approval to assess
- 8 the impact of the waste stream a minority communities
- 9 demonstrates such an effort. Additionally, ARB initiated
- 10 a neighborhood assessment program to monitor air quality
- 11 in environmental justice communities. Barrio Logan in San
- 12 Diego is the first of those projects, as well as Barrio
- 13 Logan being one of the national EJ demonstration pilot
- 14 projects.
- 15 I've provided these examples to illustrate that
- 16 environmental justice efforts are under way and that we
- 17 can all build on and learn from these experiences to guide
- 18 all of our work towards achieving environmental justice.
- 19 As I mentioned earlier, environmental justice is
- 20 a priority For CalEPA and the goal of environmental
- 21 justice is part of the agency's strategic vision. There
- 22 exists a wide range of avenues by which we can meet our
- 23 commitment to environmental justice.
- In doing so, we must look at opportunities and
- 25 efforts that make sense and are consistent toward the

- 1 obligations under existing legislation. We should explore
- 2 opportunities to promote environmental justice awareness
- 3 among staff at CalEPA. Understanding environmental
- 4 justice is a first step to effectively incorporate EJ into
- 5 the decision making process. Promoting and understanding
- 6 issues surrounding EJ requires a deliberate and mindful
- 7 approach in how one applies EJ to their daily work.
- 8 We have already begun to work with the USEPA on
- 9 providing EJ training to staff. In fact, we've provided
- 10 three trainings in the past three months. We plan to
- 11 continue these efforts in the future.
- 12 We will need to explore opportunities to ensure
- 13 greater public participation in our decision making
- 14 processes. A comprehensive approach to identifying and
- 15 addressing environmental justice concerns requires the
- 16 earlier involvement of affected communities and other
- 17 stakeholders. Additionally, approaches to effectively
- 18 address environmental justice issues requires
- 19 partnerships, the leveraging of resources and
- 20 coordination.
- 21 By assessing and incorporating the expertise of
- 22 locally affected communities, members throughout the
- 23 public participation process will foster a more informed
- 24 decision making process on the part of the agency.
- 25 At the same time, we also have to pay attention

- 1 to the reality that not all stakeholders come equally
- 2 equipped to participate fully in the process. We should
- 3 identify early on such obstacles as language, access to
- 4 information, technical understanding of documents that
- 5 become barriers for meaningful participation.
- 6 We also need to promote enforcement of all health
- 7 and environmental statutes within CalEPA's jurisdiction in
- 8 a manner that ensures the fair treatment of people of all
- 9 races, cultures and income levels, including minority
- 10 populations and the low-income populations in the State as
- 11 mandated by SB 115.
- 12 Strong and effective enforcement and
- 13 environmental and civil rights laws are fundamental to
- 14 virtually every mission of CalEPA. We need to be mindful
- 15 that conditions affecting communities of color in
- 16 low-income neighborhoods, whether in rural or urban areas,
- 17 can result from multiple exposures, high-level exposures
- 18 from single source, and chronic noncompliance.
- 19 SB 115 emphasizes existing environmental laws
- 20 provide opportunities to address environmental conditions
- 21 in EJ areas.
- We will need to promote meaningful research and
- 23 data collection to gain a better understanding of
- 24 environmental justice concerns. The cornerstone of
- 25 informed decision making is the need to have a graph of

- 1 the wide range of issues impacting communities.
- 2 This is vital to the agency, and its ability to
- 3 provide objective, reliable and understandable information
- 4 for our programs and stakeholders.
- 5 In order to capture the comprehensive nature of
- 6 EJ, it would benefit us well to work hand-in-hand with our
- 7 affected communities, our sister State agencies, federal,
- 8 tribal and local governments and other stakeholders to
- 9 ensure that the most appropriate and best information is
- 10 available to identify and address disproportionately high
- 11 and adverse human health or environmental effects on
- 12 minority population and low-income populations.
- 13 And finally, achieving meaningful and tangible
- 14 strides to addressing environmental justice would require
- 15 the talents of all affected stakeholders, including other
- 16 State agencies, locals, communities and the private
- 17 sector. We must make a concerted effort to build
- 18 multi-stakeholder partnerships in the work that we do.
- 19 In the coming months CalEPA will continue to
- 20 conduct our outreach efforts throughout the State on input
- 21 a draft mission statement as well as input into critical
- 22 environmental justice issues affecting the State. We will
- 23 establish the working group on environmental justice, as I
- 24 mentioned earlier.
- 25 We will also be establishing the advisory group

- 1 to the working group, which is composed of local agencies,
- 2 air boards, communities, non profits and the private
- 3 sector, as we continue to carry out our charge to protect
- 4 human health in the environment. You see environmental
- 5 justice is one of our top priorities. We a working to
- 6 ensure that environmental justice is part of everything
- 7 that we do. Though we have made some strides, there is
- 8 much work to be done.
- 9 It will be through our collective efforts and
- 10 talents to ensure that everyone shares in the benefits of
- 11 environmental protection. Thank you for this opportunity
- 12 to speak to you this afternoon.
- Thanks.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very
- 15 much.
- 16 Did you have a question, Mr. Paparian?
- 17 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I did. I just wanted
- 18 to -- are you planning more of a presentation than --
- 19 should I hold my questions for Romel, until you're done
- 20 with your presentation or should I ask them now?
- 21 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Actually, that's
- 22 entirely up to you. If it's about the workplan or the
- 23 adoption of some type of directing language to the Board,
- 24 to board staff --
- 25 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Interrelationship, some

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- 1 way if Romel is going to stay up here, I'll hold my
- 2 questions for him until you're done.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 4 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: As I indicated
- 5 earlier, what we are asking for today is direction in two
- 6 areas. The first is in the area of the environmental
- 7 justice mission statement.
- 8 At the April meeting when we spoke to the Board,
- 9 you indicated a desire to adopt some language that would
- 10 guide staff in the development of an environmental justice
- 11 plan or strategy from the Board.
- 12 And so what we've done is we have provided four
- 13 options for you to adopt language, guiding language, like
- 14 that. The first option is to adopt the CalEPA mission
- 15 statement that is included in your agenda Item.
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- 17 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: And that also should
- 18 be on your screen right now. This is a mission statement
- 19 that is included in you agenda item, and that also -- it
- 20 would be on your screen -- was developed for CalEPA. This
- 21 is the mission statement that Romel was speaking of that
- 22 was developed through the CalEPA, across the BDO internal
- 23 working group and that CalEPA will be going out to the
- 24 public within the next month or so to get some comment on
- 25 this.

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- 1 So one option for the Board is to simply adopt
- 2 the language that's already been drafted through the
- 3 CalEPA working group.
- 4 However, because CalEPA will still be going out
- 5 for review and comment of it, it may change. So this
- 6 option was not selected as recommended by staff because
- 7 the language is still being developed and may be revised.
- 8 The second option that we have listed for you is
- 9 to use this language and to direct staff to develop a --
- 10 to use this language as a basis to direct a more board
- 11 specific type of mission statement.
- 12 The third option is to defer development of a
- 13 mission statement until after we have conducted some of
- 14 the external stakeholder input forums and then direct
- 15 staff to develop a mission statement at that time.
- The fourth option, which is the one that staff
- 17 will be recommending, is to direct staff to use the values
- 18 or operating principles that have been drafted as part of
- 19 the Board's 2001 strategic plan to guide the development
- 20 of the Board's environmental justice plan and strategies.
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- 22 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: And these values,
- 23 you will be looking at them again as part of the entire
- 24 agenda item, the next agenda item as part of the strategic
- 25 plan elements. But at this point, we are recommending

- 1 that we use this as the basis for the Board's direction to
- 2 staff on how to proceed with our efforts in this area.
- 3 ---00--
- 4 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: There's four
- 5 bullets. You can see the first two there and then the
- 6 second two, I believe, on the second page.
- 7 --00--
- 8 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: And it basically
- 9 captures what we felt was what we heard both from our
- 10 internal/external stakeholders and from the Board as to
- 11 what we wanted to accomplish in this area.
- 12 So those are the options as far as giving us
- 13 direction on the mission statement language.
- 14 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Did you have any
- 15 questions about this portion or shall I go on to the
- 16 workplan?
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I don't see any
- 18 right now.
- 19 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Okay. The second
- 20 area that we're requesting direction from the Board on is
- 21 the workplan development.
- In your agenda item, we have provided a draft
- 23 workplan that consists of several steps. I believe it's
- 24 six steps and there are tasks listed under each one. And
- 25 what I'd like to do is just go through those and then

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1 answer any questions.
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- 3 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: This workplan was
- 4 developed through our internal working group, internal to
- 5 the Board, with representation from the Board offices as
- 6 well as from the divisions and the other offices. And we
- 7 did consult with Romel and CalEPA extensively on the
- 8 workplan as well before we put it forward to them.
- 9 The first step is the step that we're talking
- 10 about today, the mission statement strategic plan
- 11 strategy, so I'd like to -- and that will occur today and
- 12 through August as we bring you back specific strategies as
- 13 part of the remainder of the strategic plan.
- So I'd like to go to step 2.
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- ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Step 2 is
- 17 participation in the CalEPA stakeholder forums to solicit
- 18 input from stakeholders. As Romel mentioned, CalEPA will
- 19 be identifying representatives of community groups, other
- 20 stakeholders, interested parties and the general public or
- 21 external forums addressing all of CalEPA BDOs.
- 22 And those forums will occur, they hope will begin
- 23 at the end of July and continue probably through
- 24 mid-September. And we are proposing that we participate
- 25 in those forums. The information, the input from those

- 1 forums will be used by the CalEPA environmental justice
- 2 working group. They'll be summarized and kind of used to
- 3 provide a broad policy direction and framework for the
- 4 BDOs in the area of environmental justice. And that
- 5 should occur sometime, the development of that material
- 6 should occur sometime between the end of the forums and
- 7 the October timeframe.
- 8 --000--
- 9 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Step number three is
- 10 to use that framework developed -- let me back up a
- 11 moment.
- 12 One of the concerns or questions, I guess,
- 13 questions that were raised -- some of the questions that
- 14 were raised at the briefing last week was that this is
- 15 kind of -- this entire workplan is kind of a long
- 16 timeframe, and that there may be other things that we can
- 17 be doing on a shorter timeframe that might be more the
- 18 easier things to identify and the easier things to get
- 19 started on. Some of the other issues might be more
- 20 complex, require more input, more analysis, more data, et
- 21 cetera. So there might be things that we can do sooner
- 22 rather than later.
- 23 And so one approach for the Board in giving us
- 24 direction could be to in to step one a request that we
- 25 begin to look at our programs and identify some of those

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- 1 more immediate things that we could do to address that and
- 2 get started on some of that and bring that back to the
- 3 Board sooner. And then leave the more comprehensive
- 4 in-depth look at things like our permitting process that
- 5 might require statutory or regulatory changes, and do that
- 6 analysis and do that on a longer timeframe.
- 7 So that's an option for the Board in giving us
- 8 direction today.
- 9 ---00--
- 10 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: So step three is
- 11 utilizing the framework through CalEPA on the broad policy
- 12 input to assist us in developing in analyzing our programs
- 13 and identifying opportunities to address environmental
- 14 justice and then developing -- doing the analysis and
- 15 developing strategies in each of those areas. Then
- 16 compiling those strategies into a draft environmental
- 17 justice plan.
- 18 And that would occur as we have drafted it here
- 19 from October through December. The framework we hope will
- 20 be done sometime in October, and so then we could use that
- 21 to guide our efforts to draft our own internal strategy.
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- 23 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Step four would be
- 24 conducting focus group meetings of the Board's -- all of
- 25 the stakeholders and interest groups that are interested

- 1 in specifically what we would be doing here at the Board,
- 2 so going back to get an additional level of external
- 3 stakeholder input on what we've drafted. And we've
- 4 drafted the workplan to indicate that would occur in the
- 5 December, January timeframe.
- 6 And the focuses groups January, February
- 7 timeframe and then summarizing that input on the plan and
- 8 strategies and taking that into step five, which would be
- 9 to incorporate all of that external input into the draft
- 10 plan and develop recommendations to the Board, which would
- 11 occur in March -- excuse me February or March timeframe.
- 12 --00--
- ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: And then finally,
- 14 after getting direction from the Board to all
- 15 recommendations and priorities and putting it together in
- 16 a plan or a strategy that the Board can adopt, hopefully
- 17 in early next year.
- 18 So that's the workplan that we have drafted. At
- 19 this point, I guess questions, if you have any questions
- 20 about either the mission statement idea or the workplan or
- 21 any questions for Romel, I guess.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian,
- 23 questions and then Mr. Medina.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you Madam Chair.
- 25 Rubia, you mentioned the potential for doing things in the

- 1 time period between now and next April when we would hear
- 2 back from the various working groups and so forth. I'm
- 3 wondering, maybe Romel you could help me with this. Are
- 4 there requirements on us involving environmental justice
- 5 that we should be incorporating, even before we hear back
- 6 recommendations from these working groups? Does the law
- 7 suggest that we should be doing anything differently or --
- 8 Calepa environmental justice assistant secretary
- 9 PASCUAL: The law is relatively broad. It does provide a
- 10 framework by which areas that we need to look at. Some of
- 11 those areas are around assessment, looking at research
- 12 needs, data collection needs, looking at the gaps and
- 13 opportunities to address environmental justice.
- More specifically, one of the things that we, at
- 15 the agency, would like to move on, relatively in a short
- 16 timeframe, hopefully in the next several months is to
- 17 begin to look to assess where the gaps are on
- 18 environmental justice, in terms of some of our policy
- 19 areas, issues around where are we in the State in terms of
- 20 where facilities are located. I don't think we've done an
- 21 assessment of facilities and its proximity to communities
- 22 of color and low income.
- 23 Many of those types of studies have been done
- 24 across the Board and across the country to give
- 25 descriptive information to guide policies on a variety of

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- 1 different levels of government, local, State and national
- 2 and would benefit us to move towards that direction as
- 3 well.
- 4 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: If I can in to that.
- 5 Mr. Paparian, the legislation a directs both CalEPA and
- 6 the Governor's office of Planning and Research I couldn't
- 7 remember what the P stood for, of Planning and Research,
- 8 requires that CalEPA develop a strategy, an agencywide
- 9 strategy. The current statutory language doesn't have a
- 10 timeframe for that.
- 11 There is current legislation that is proposing to
- 12 put a timeframe on that and require that strategy to be
- 13 done by, I believe, it's either June or July 15th of next
- 14 year.
- The statute right now requires that those two
- 16 groups, the internal, the CalEPA BDO Chair and Department
- 17 Director level group that CalEPA supposed to pull together
- 18 be done by January, and that it doesn't have any
- 19 timeframes for the development of this strategy.
- This new legislation would do that if it passes.
- 21 And it also specifically lists areas that need to be
- 22 addressed in that strategy, but again -- and Romel
- 23 mentioned in few of them, things like looking at existing
- 24 data, looking at gaps in existing policies and programs
- 25 and statutes and regulations and holding public meetings

- 1 and things like that. There's a variety of things that
- 2 are required, but again there's no statutory deadline for
- 3 that and this new legislation may do that, and so the
- 4 deadline may end up being next summer, June or July, to
- 5 have all of that done.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: And let me just ask a
- 7 more specific question. Romel, I think in your
- 8 presentation you mentioned that several of the BDOs are
- 9 doing things to ensure greater public partition. I think
- 10 that's in the existing statute that there should be
- 11 efforts to ensure greater public participation in the
- 12 activities of the agency. Are they doing that pursuant to
- 13 the law or are they getting out ahead of you a little bit
- 14 or --
- 15 Calepa environmental justice assistant secretary
- 16 PASCUAL: I think at this it's -- I'd like to make the
- 17 point that environmental justice, as we all know, is not a
- 18 new issue in California. California is not a stranger to
- 19 those issues.
- 20 Prior to the adoption of the legislation efforts
- 21 at the BDO level they've gone, primarily from asserted
- 22 pressures by the community to expand community
- 23 participation.
- 24 And so those efforts were in response to some
- 25 extent issues around greater participatory process for

- 1 folks who have not necessarily participated before.
- 2 So in answer to your question, those efforts have
- 3 gone under way prior to the legislation. And so they're
- 4 not necessarily going ahead of us as an agency. As an
- 5 agency we're going to look at broad policy implications
- 6 that all The BDOs will definitely need to be apart of
- 7 developing.
- 8 But there are certain things that we can do now
- 9 in terms of the way in which we conduct it, one of the
- 10 examples, public participation processes, looking at
- 11 opportunities to engage folks in that process.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. So that would be
- 13 an example of something that maybe we can jump ahead of
- 14 the working groups on and then incorporate, perhaps, what
- 15 might come out of the working groups.
- 16 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Right. And we were
- 17 seeing a difference, after I heard your remarks at the
- 18 briefing, and Romel and I talked quite a bit about this.
- 19 And we were seeing a difference between the level of
- 20 complexity in deciding just in general it's a good idea to
- 21 provide more outreach and more community involvement and
- 22 more assistance so that folks are participating in a real
- 23 way, and looking at our entire permitting process and
- 24 seeing where those opportunities are and what kind of
- 25 statutory authority would may or may not have regulatory

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- 1 basis et cetera, that that's a more complex analysis that
- 2 has to occur with a lot more input on the impact that
- 3 that's going to have with the regulated community and the
- 4 public et cetera, so that that might take more time and
- 5 that's what we were envisioning when we out together this
- 6 timeframe.
- 7 But in talking to Romel, we did come up with
- 8 several areas that he felt we could really take a look at
- 9 a little bit sooner and maybe do more sooner. And there
- 10 are some things that we've already started doing, like
- 11 working on the GIS function and profile where we're going
- 12 to be coming back to you I think in the August timeframe
- 13 to show how we've been able to demonstrate demographic
- 14 information about our facilities. That's something that's
- 15 a little bit ahead -- or quite a bit ahead of this
- 16 analysis.
- 17 Some of the language that, I think, Mr. Medina
- 18 has suggested be placed in some of the grants, so that
- 19 we're taking a look at some environmental justice concerns
- 20 there. The study that we've been doing -- just some
- 21 things that we've already been doing. And so Romel had
- 22 given us some ideas about other things like that, that we
- 23 could focus on initially and maybe get started on sooner.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay. One thing came to
- 25 my attention last week and that was the Golden Gate

- 1 University Law Review has done I don't if all the Board
- 2 officers have this or not, but did an article on
- 3 environmental justice in California, where it had like ten
- 4 or eleven pages specific to the Waste Management Board and
- 5 what we could -- do board members have this specific to
- 6 what we could do?
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I do.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I made some copies of the
- 9 Waste Management Board section in case people haven't seen
- 10 that.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I found it very
- 13 interesting, given how specific it is to who we are and
- 14 what we do and what potentially we could do in
- 15 environmental justice. And I realize in reading this that
- 16 some of the suggested directions that we might take on
- 17 environmental justice might be somewhat controversial to
- 18 put it mildly.
- 19 I think it might be interesting for the Board in
- 20 the next couple of months to hear something specific to
- 21 the ideas that are in here. I don't know if we can either
- 22 bring in the author or maybe have the Attorney General's
- 23 office and our legal staff give us some thoughts and
- 24 analysis on this, but again there's a sort of road map
- 25 suggested in here about how this Board might incorporate

- 1 environmental justice into its work. And I think it's
- 2 worthy of some analysis and discussion at our level.
- 3 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: I think the legal
- 4 office would be happy to take a look at the article and
- 5 provide some feedback on it.
- 6 We talked about it a little bit. Kathryn got a
- 7 copy of it and she made some comments about it that she
- 8 should be interested in, at least, providing you with some
- 9 feedback on some of the ideas and the analysis in there,
- 10 et cetera. Do you want to in to that?
- 11 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: No.
- 12 (Laughter.)
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: You'll get back
- 14 to us.
- 15 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Can you see how
- 16 happy she is.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I think the author, as I
- 18 understand it, Russell, maybe you can help me, does she
- 19 work at the Attorney General's office.
- 20 DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL HILDRETH: Yes.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Eleanor Peters. You
- 22 know, maybe as an informational item, it might be
- 23 interesting to -- I don't know if she'd be willing to come
- 24 in in subject herself to us or not, but --
- 25 DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL HILDRETH: If you'd like

- 1 me to ask her, I will ask her.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: That's all I've got.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. We do
- 5 have a public speaker before we go to Mr. Medina. And
- 6 just let me know any other board members who would like to
- 7 speak.
- 8 Sean Edgar.
- 9 MR. EDGAR: It's working.
- 10 Madam Chair and Board Members, thank you Sean
- 11 Edgar on behalf of California Refuse Removal Council, 120
- 12 private independent companies providing recycling and
- 13 solid waste services throughout the State of California.
- I wanted to take a few moments to offer our
- 15 viewpoint on this very important issue. Realizing that
- 16 solid waste and that our companies operate in both rural
- 17 and urban environments, we're not only service providers,
- 18 we're also employers in those rural and urban
- 19 environments. And we are completely in agreement that no
- 20 segment of society should bear an inordinate burden of
- 21 facilities.
- 22 However, that realization is tempered by our need
- 23 to balance the siting of essential public services, not
- 24 only waste handling and processing facilities recycling
- 25 facilities, landfills and the like, but we also realize

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- 1 that any publicly owned treatment works, water waste
- 2 treatment plans and whatnot certainly suffer from these
- 3 challenges as well.
- 4 So we want to acknowledge that it is a very
- 5 important issue. However as we move forward on the time
- 6 line that A Packard and Mr. Pascual have talked about, we
- 7 also want to make sure that we a forward with a certain
- 8 amount of precision, and we want to make sure that we move
- 9 forward with a certain amount of caution. IN particular,
- 10 the siting of facilities has always been a daunting task
- 11 here in California. We certainly navigate a very lengthy
- 12 path with regard to facility siting issues.
- 13 And we look at certain issues that we've
- 14 developed both federally and here within the State that
- 15 cause some concern for us to make our statement that we
- 16 believe that they're needs to be some precision and
- 17 caution.
- 18 Specifically in the case of New Jersey, the
- 19 Southampton citizens. There was a recent case, that an
- 20 innocent industry happened to be a cement plant had their
- 21 air permits revoked, vacated due -- not due to the fact
- 22 that they weren't in compliance with their air permits,
- 23 but due to the fact that there were some allegations that
- 24 apparently they had not relied upon significant public
- 25 process through the permitting process.

- 1 So we would have some concerns amongst 10a
- 2 material recovery facilities and 300 recycling centers
- 3 that I represent to be in a situation where we find that
- 4 the permits that have been lengthy in order to maintain
- 5 are all of a sudden are vacated and revoked as a result of
- 6 particular actions that to which industry was unaware.
- 7 In that case also, there was determined that
- 8 there was a private right of action. The third parties
- 9 could actually -- in that case the State Department of
- 10 Environmental Quality was sued and that resulted in
- 11 vacating of their permit. In that particular case, also,
- 12 the United States Supreme Court on April 25th of this year
- 13 reversed that decision.
- 14 However, our words of caution are realizing that
- 15 we have a very much of an evolving issue, and we want to
- 16 make sure that as we walk delicately in that we have some
- 17 key elements that have been discussed today that are very
- 18 important elements of executing that strategy that's
- 19 before you, one of which is data collection is the key.
- 20 As Mr. Pascual has indicated, there is, you know, a lot of
- 21 data and how do we determine or quantify whether, in fact,
- 22 there is a problem or if a, what are the steps to address
- 23 that.
- 24 With regard to how we're going to define
- 25 environmental justice communities, Air Resources Board, as

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- 1 part of our clean air plan, discussed that they had an
- 2 idea of what environmental justice communities are, but
- 3 we're going to, as we go through this process, evolving
- 4 process, we're going to try and determine as we get down
- 5 the road. And we want to make sure that if we're using
- 6 things like census data, the census data that, you know,
- 7 we hear commentary our there in media and government that
- 8 how reliable is census date that we've collected.
- 9 So if we're using data as a basis for some
- 10 conclusions, we want to make sure that we have some valid
- 11 data and that data a meaningful. We want to look at the
- 12 cross-media issues as we move forward, especially with the
- 13 Air Resources Board. More and more members of our solid
- 14 waste industry are affected by cross-media issues. By the
- 15 end of this year ARB tells we will have a rule to retrofit
- 16 all of our diesel fired garbage trucks.
- 17 That rule development is also going to apparently
- 18 incorporate some environmental justice concerns. And we
- 19 want to make sure that the cross-media efforts between all
- 20 the CalEPA Boards, Departments and offices are
- 21 coordinated, in that they will also impact our industry.
- 22 So on behalf of CRT we want to communicate that
- 23 we're fully prepared to participate and we do want to
- 24 participate in all the advisory groups and panel
- 25 opportunities that we have. If there are additional steps

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- 1 a to what's already a long CEQA process, we want to make
- 2 sure that they're based upon some sound reason and that
- 3 there is some rational behind those.
- We want to make sure and study more of, Mr.
- 5 Paparian the article that you had, we want to make sure we
- 6 have an opportunity to look at some of the greater, bigger
- 7 picture type Items behind the environmental justice
- 8 strategy and make sure that the road map that may have
- 9 been pointed toward, does not become a huge deterrent for
- 10 solid waste handling and recycling in the State.
- 11 Thank you.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 13 Edgar. That was our one public speaker.
- Mr. Medina.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 16 And first I'd like to thank Assistant Secretary Romel
- 17 Pascual for appearing before us and also for providing
- 18 leadership and advice in regard to this matter.
- 19 And I would like to commend Rubia Packard and
- 20 staff for the work that they have done on this issue. And
- 21 I'd just like to say that Mr. Pascual in his remarks
- 22 pointed out something that is very important, and this is
- 23 the first time that any State has adopted specific
- 24 legislation on environmental justice and that we're
- 25 provided with a tremendous opportunity to provide

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- 1 leadership in this area.
- 2 And so this is a prime opportunity for our board
- 3 here, the Waste Board, to be at the forefront of this
- 4 issue and working closely with CalEPA.
- 5 And I just have to say that I recognize that our
- 6 staff has been working closely with CalEPA to ensure that
- 7 we work cooperatively to establish the BDO's environmental
- 8 justice strategy. And this is especially crucial because
- 9 this topic appears to be picking up steam, not only within
- 10 the Board but the Legislature and the press, and the
- 11 affected communities a it's always been an important
- 12 topic.
- 13 But this also arose during the budget
- 14 deliberation before the Legislature. And, in fact, in our
- 15 meeting with some of the members of the State legislature,
- 16 they raised this issue with us. And so, again, this is an
- 17 opportunity for our board to be at the forefront of this
- 18 effort.
- 19 And we should closely heed the request of staff
- 20 to give them direction. And, in fact, I requested that
- 21 this item be pulled from the agenda last month, so that
- 22 staff could take more time to prepare a fuller agenda item
- 23 for consideration and discussion by the Board.
- 24 In that board item, staff proposed Resolution
- 25 2001-218 that directed staff to use the values, operating

- 1 principles drafted as part of the Board's 2001 strategic
- 2 plan to quide the development of the Board's environmental
- 3 justice plan and strategies.
- 4 And to ensure that we will include environmental
- 5 justice concerns in all future programs and policies, I
- 6 would like staff to include environmental justice in the
- 7 goals portion of the strategic plan, because environmental
- 8 justice should very much be a goal that we strive for.
- 9 And we're going to be considering that in Item 13.
- 10 In regard to the resolution itself --
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Item 30.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Oh, Item 30.
- 13 In regard to the resolution itself, I'd like to
- 14 move the resolution with some changes that I have made and
- 15 I will read the changes that are made on the resolution
- 16 for you.
- 17 Specifically, in the seventh whereas clause,
- 18 where it says, "Whereas the issued of environmental
- 19 justice cuts across nearly every program..." Change "cuts
- 20 across" to "environmental justice impacts nearly every
- 21 program administered by the Board, including permitting
- 22 and enforcement activities, providing local assistance,
- 23 issuing grants, entering into contracts, and zone and
- 24 administration and in."
- 25 And in the 8th whereas clause, I wrote in there

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- 1 "Whereas the Board is developing, in close consultation
- 2 with CalEPA and its environmental justice coordinator, a
- 3 workplan to identify areas of potential environmental
- 4 justice impacts and will develop an environmental justice
- 5 plan and strategies"
- 6 And in whereas clause number 9, "Whereas the
- 7 Board has directed staff to include environmental justice
- 8 issues in both the values and the goals of the strategic
- 9 plan pursuant to the separate item taken at the Board
- 10 meeting,
- 11 This Board be it resolved that the Board hereby
- 12 direct staff to use the values, operating principles and
- 13 goals drafted as part of the Board's 2001 strategic plan
- 14 to guide the development of the Board's environmental
- 15 justice plan and strategies.
- 16 And finally in the further resolved clause, "That
- 17 the Board hereby directs all divisions and offices to
- 18 return to the Board with a single agenda item in December
- 19 2001, which provides detailed actions that these divisions
- 20 could take relative to considering environmental justice
- 21 during the activities of these divisions, including
- 22 activities that are administrative in do not require board
- 23 action."
- 24 There are a lot of things that we can do in
- 25 regard to environmental justice that we can do now that we

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1 do not have to wait months for. So Madam Chair, I would
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- 2 like to move resolution 2001-218 with those changes.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 4 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Madam Chair?
- 5 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'll second that.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, we have a
- 7 motion and a second.
- 8 Ms. Packard.
- 9 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: The draft that I had
- 10 says September 2001, and when you just read through it you
- 11 said December.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Right, September 2001.
- ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: And so you're --
- 14 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Yes, September 2001.
- 15 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Also, in there
- 16 whereas clause before the very last whereas clause you
- 17 indicated that the Board has directed staff to include
- 18 environmental justice in the values and goals of the
- 19 strategic plan, and that's the next item, so the Board
- 20 hasn't done that yet. And I don't know if that makes a
- 21 difference if it needs to be reworded or -- I don't know
- 22 if that matters.
- 23 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Madam Chair, what you
- 24 could do is adopt this and move on to the strategic plan.
- 25 And if it's not adopted in the strategic plan, reopen this

- 1 and fix it.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. I think
- 3 that is the best way.
- 4 Okay any comments, questions?
- 5 Okay we have a motion by Mr. Medina seconded by
- 6 Aye. Paparian to adopt resolution 2001-218 with the
- 7 changes.
- 8 Please call the roll.
- 9 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 15 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 16 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 17 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 19 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- Okay. I'd like to thank Ms. Packard also.
- 22 You've done a really great job on this. We appreciate it.
- 23 And Mr. Pascual thank you very much for your guidance and
- 24 help and we look forward to working closely with you.
- 25 Item 30, Ms. Packard.

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- 1 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: I have to switch
- 2 papers here.
- Rubia Packard, again, with the policy office.
- 4 I'm presenting agenda Item 30, which is discussion of a
- 5 request for direction on the vision, mission, values and
- 6 goal elements of the Board's 2001 strategic plan.
- 7 This item presents draft mission, vision and
- 8 value statements and key strategic goals for board
- 9 discussion and direction today. We wanted to get
- 10 additional input from the Board before continuing with
- 11 further drafting of the rest of the elements of the 2001
- 12 plan.
- 13 Those elements will be objectives, strategies and
- 14 performance measures. We wanted to ensure that the vision
- 15 and the mission and all the values and the goals were what
- 16 the Board intended them to be before we completed the rest
- 17 of the plan.
- 18 Based upon the feedback and direction we received
- 19 today, a final draft of the complete plan will be brought
- 20 before the Board for approval at the September a October
- 21 board meeting.
- Before we get into the details of the plan, I'd
- 23 just like to talk about the process for a minute. What we
- 24 had done was put together a steering committee that
- 25 included membership board members in its membership and

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- 1 used that team to develop the process for taking us
- 2 through the entire strategic planning development.
- 3 We gathered input from internal/external
- 4 stakeholders at two meetings. We obtained direction from
- 5 board members on key issues and priorities after those
- 6 stakeholders meetings, and then the plan elements were
- 7 drafted by a working group that was composed of executive
- 8 staff members. Those are the elements that you a before
- 9 you today.
- 10 Our next steps after we receive input from the
- 11 Board today is to take the draft vision or to take the
- 12 vision, mission, values and goals and develop the draft
- 13 objective strategies and performance measures by utilizing
- 14 cross-divisional teams with participation from board
- 15 members offices.
- These teams will be led by deputies and assistant
- 17 directors, and we will develop the remaining elements of
- 18 the plan. We will bring those back to you in August for
- 19 review and comment and then the plan will go to CalEPA for
- 20 their input as well. And we will bring it back to you for
- 21 final adoption in either September or October.
- 22 CalEPA will have an opportunity to review and
- 23 comment on our plan and they're primarily looking at plans
- 24 for those areas that are cross media in nature, where we
- 25 are either supporting another board in prioritizing those

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1 efforts in supporting another board or department or we

- 2 need the support of other boards and departments in our
- 3 activities.
- 4 So they will have two opportunities to review and
- 5 comment on that, through the Strategic Vision Team, which
- 6 is a cross-bDA team, where we will present our elements of
- 7 our plan, and we'll get comment back from the other BDOs
- 8 on those areas that are cross media.
- 9 And then the Office of the Secretary will review
- 10 and comment on our plan in August after the Board sees the
- 11 remaining elements.
- 12 The options for the Board today are to direct
- 13 staff to use the vision, mission, values and goals as
- 14 drafted to develop the remaining elements of the Board's
- 15 2001 strategic plan for board discussion or to direct
- 16 staff to make revisions to the vision, mission, values and
- 17 goals and develop the remaining elements for the Board's
- 18 2001 strategic plan for board discussion or take no action
- 19 at this time.
- I am aware that at least a couple of the Board
- 21 Members had some proposed changes to some of the language
- 22 here. So what we did, and I don't know if this will be
- 23 helpful to you, what we did was we put all of the
- 24 elements, the language up here on the computer, and we
- 25 figured if you have changes or revisions that the Board

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1 agrees to that we could just go ahead and make them a so
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- 2 that we have a good record of the actual words.
- 3 So we thought that might be easier. We would
- 4 like to go through each set element by element so that we
- 5 make sure we capture everything in each element before we
- 6 move on, just to make sure that we capture everything.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. That
- 8 sounds great.
- 9 (Thereupon an overhead presentation was
- 10 presented as follows.)
- 11 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: So this is the
- 12 first -- before I go on, are there any questions about
- 13 process or anything?
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just a couple. We've got
- 16 some speakers -- I mean, if we're going to address this
- 17 piece a piece, we've got speakers that want to speak to
- 18 whatever issues. I won't to speak to some issues. If Mr.
- 19 Liss is here to talk about zero waste, does that mean that
- 20 talks about it at this point or --
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Before we make
- 22 proposed changes?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yes. I mean, I'm trying to
- 24 figure out, because we've got a lot of sections here. And
- 25 if we're dealing with them a piece at a time, I have a

- 1 proposal in front of me that --
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Why don't we go
- 3 ahead and hear A Liss, since he has indicated that he
- 4 wanted to speak to this portion. Would that be okay with
- 5 you, Ms. Packard?
- 6 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Absolutely.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Is that okay with
- 8 you Mr. Liss.
- 9 Come on forward.
- Welcome.
- 11 MR. LISS: Madam Chair and members of the Board
- 12 thank you for the opportunity to present a. I'm speaking
- 13 on behalf of the group of signatories to a letter that I
- 14 sent to you last night, that are from around the world a
- 15 leaders in the advocacy a zero waste as a policy for this
- 16 nation and the world.
- 17 I'm also here on behalf of the Global Recycling
- 18 Council. You received an Email from Sarasawati
- 19 Charamtamoulie in regards to their support for zero waste.
- 20 And in both regards I'm here to speak in support of the
- 21 vision statement that is in on the Board right now in
- 22 support of the zero waste California.
- 23 Zero waste is a new idea. It's a policy. It's a
- 24 path. It's a direction. It's a target. It's a process.
- 25 It's away of thinking. It's moving from waste management

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- 1 to resource management, recognizing that for every ton
- 2 that's buried in municipal landfills, 71 tons are buried
- 3 elsewhere through mining, manufacturing, agriculture, oil
- 4 coal, petroleum and other manufacturing industrial
- 5 processes. Resource management needs to drive the future
- 6 not landfills.
- 7 Zero waste is a new vision for a new century. It
- 8 is a breakthrough strategy much like zero waste has been
- 9 adopted in many other areas of activity. Zero emissions
- 10 is what's being struggled with in the air industry, in
- 11 water pollution control, zero defects in total quality
- 12 management, zero inventory, just-in-time inventory, has
- 13 been adopted by many manufacturers, zero cut for the
- 14 national forests is a primarily directive of the
- 15 environmental movement.
- Are other areas are sustainable agriculture,
- 17 sustainable forestry, sustainable cities. The connections
- 18 between sustainability and zero waste are clear. Zero
- 19 waste was meant to translate sustainability into terms
- 20 that solid waste and recycling professionals would
- 21 understand and relate to.
- 22 Zero waste means businesses sharing
- 23 responsibility for products and packaging that they
- 24 produce, focusing delivering services not products,
- 25 developing return customers through leases and takeback

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- 1 programs, providing more services with less energy and
- 2 fewer materials, designing waste out of the system.
- 3 It builds on philosophies, such as natural
- 4 capitalism, the natural step designed for the environment,
- 5 Factor 4, Factor 10 efficiencies, clean production. These
- 6 are all concepts that are on the cutting edge of
- 7 industrial activities. And zero waste is meant to capture
- 8 that for our arena of waste and recycling issues.
- 9 Zero waste means using incentives to harness the
- 10 forces of the marketplace, taxing bads not goods,
- 11 increasing cost for landfilling so low-cost landfilling
- 12 does not undermine reduced recycling and composting and
- 13 waste diversion activity, ending subsidies for waste
- 14 efforts and eliminating waste not managing it, finding a
- 15 home for everything, and preferably a local one, in
- 16 developing innovative systems like resource recovery parks
- 17 that co-locate reuse, recycling, composting,
- 18 manufacturing, processing and retail establishments.
- 19 Zero waste means establishing new rules for
- 20 business. One of the reasons we have such a large
- 21 quantity of waste is that rules are broken. Businesses
- 22 aren't being held accountable and need to be provided
- 23 rules by which they will ensure that they consider waste
- 24 issues in the design of products and in the rollout of new
- 25 inventions.

- 1 Land use permit conditions are being used in LA
- 2 to require developers to use C&D recycling to use recycled
- 3 content products, to use recycling facilities in their new
- 4 development.
- 5 Many communities are requiring recycling plans
- 6 with businesses or requiring businesses to achieve
- 7 recycling goals. Some communities are starting to ban
- 8 products like mercury thermometers and other mercury
- 9 products from being sold in their community because of the
- 10 toxics problems or banning materials from landfills. More
- 11 than a third of the landfills in north Carolina band
- 12 corrugated material, over 37 states ban yard waste from
- 13 landfill.
- 14 Setting rules for taking back products and
- 15 packaging are things that are being developed right now
- 16 particularly looking at E-waste, electronic waste, as one
- 17 of the prime areas to focus on by local governments.
- 18 Is zero waste attainable? Well, as have been
- 19 doing fantastic job and many leading businesses in
- 20 diverting over 90 percent of the waste that they produce.
- 21 Hewlett-Packard nearby in Roseville, Xerox has done it
- 22 because they leased copiers for many years. By doing so
- 23 they had the product coming back to them. They had to
- 24 find something to do with it and they found ways to reuse
- 25 it, disassemble it or recycle the parts. So they do have

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- 1 a Xerox waste-free policy, which was originally called
- 2 Xerox waste policy that's spelled with an X.
- 3 Pillsbury reduces ten percent better every year
- 4 is their company goal, and now have achieved over 9a waste
- 5 diversion. Fetzer Vineyards, Mad River Brewing Company,
- 6 Del Mar Fairgrounds, Collins and Aikman hasn't disposed of
- 7 ton in landfill- for several years, Zancaro Landfill in
- 8 San Jose recycles over 95 percent of their material. And
- 9 most reuse in recycling businesses in California do today.
- 10 Is zero waste attainable? A we're darn close is
- 11 a slogan of our network. The goal is moving towards that
- 12 direction. It's not necessarily getting to the end point
- 13 of zero waste. Many governments are on their way to zero
- 14 waste. Seattle Washington has adopted zero waste as a
- 15 guiding principle. Del Norte County has adopted the first
- 16 zero waste plan in the nation. Santa Cruz County and San
- 17 Luis Obispo County have adopted zero waste resolutions. A
- 18 third of New Zealand cites have adopted zero waste in
- 19 Canberra Australia was the first community in the world to
- 20 adopt a zero waste goal for 2010. And Halifax Nova Scotia
- 21 has adopted a zero waste goal as well.
- 22 Will zero waste cost more? No, it's not a
- 23 centralized public works project. In fact, much of the
- 24 waste that is yet to be reduced and reused and recycled is
- 25 in the business sector. And businesses will save money

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- 1 through product and process improvements, redesigns and
- 2 more recycling if they adopt these goals. A just working
- 3 with businesses to figure out how to get their attention
- 4 and work together with the Waste Board, with local
- 5 governments, with environmental groups to solve these
- 6 problems together.
- 7 Well, what if we don't design for zero waste?
- 8 Well, then we have to plan for more landfills and more
- 9 incinerators. Landfills are leaking around the State we
- 10 keep hearing about and around the nation. Remedial
- 11 cleanups, Superfund sites many of them are old municipal
- 12 landfills. We can continue to dump on our neighbors.
- 13 Large amounts of material we hear are going to Oregon and
- 14 Nevada, 750,000 tons last year we heard in this morning's
- 15 report.
- 16 If we design for zero waste, we can reduce the
- 17 burden of finding additional new sites. We also would
- 18 accrue the benefits of mining and manufacturing impacts
- 19 being continued if -- discontinued, if we achieve zero
- 20 waste.
- 21 We need six to eight more plans for the US
- 22 lifestyle to be replicated. If we were to export our
- 23 approach worldwide, we just couldn't do it the way our
- 24 efficiencies are today. Zero waste calls for us to
- 25 address those concerns. A an appropriate vision for the

- 1 Board to adopt, whether you adopt it as a vision or a
- 2 goal, we are applauding staff for recommending it to be
- 3 the vision statement for the State, and urge you to adopt
- 4 zero waste in the strategic plan as one of your main
- 5 guiding principles.
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 8 Liss. Mr. Aprea, did you a to a now or.
- 9 MR. APRE3A: Whatever is the Board's pleasure.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Why don't you
- 11 come on up. It's just the two of you.
- 12 MR. APREA: Madam Chair, may I speak to any of
- 13 the other issues that are further down or do you want me
- 14 to limit my comments to the vision statement?
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: No, you can speak
- 16 at the end, if you want. If you want to wait till we go
- 17 all the way through it I just -- it's your choice.
- 18 MR. APREA: That will be fine. Why don't I go
- 19 ahead and do --
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We won't forget
- 21 you.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair?
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, Mr. Jones
- 24 and then Mr. Paparian.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Thanks Madam Chair. I

- 1 wanted to Gary's input in this, because Gary was part of
- 2 our external stakeholder group that met at, I don't know,
- 3 some State building over off of Watt Avenue. And I
- 4 appreciated then his discussion on this.
- 5 I also had a discussion on zero waste. And one
- 6 of the issues, because I've asked -- I've told board
- 7 members that at the briefing that I was going to ask that
- 8 zero waste be changed to sustainable, a sustainable
- 9 California.
- 10 And the reason that I gave at that briefing was
- 11 that zero waste means a lot of different things to a lot
- 12 of different people. And it actually is illustrated by
- 13 the 12 boxes that you just had to give to explain what
- 14 zero waste is and what it can afford.
- And I only say that because I'm not going to
- 16 abandon a It still needs to be part of the strategic plan,
- 17 but when you're talking about a vision for California in
- 18 putting a strategic plan together, one of my problems when
- 19 I was going through this process was I didn't have a
- 20 problem with zero waste, but I would have had to put an
- 21 exclamation -- we would have had to have put some kind of
- 22 an explanation into what that expectation of zero waste is
- 23 in a vision statement.
- 24 So it seemed, rather than to create confusion or
- 25 fear or whatever, that if we said it was a sustainable

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- 1 California and went on later to talk about zero waste and
- 2 how we achieve that, a I see zero waste as absolutely
- 3 where we have to go, but it means changes.
- 4 And even in our own somewhat -- there's a
- 5 proposal for some different language. Even in the
- 6 proposal when they talk about promote a zero waste
- 7 California where citizens, industry and government strive
- 8 to recycle all municipal solid waste. That's part of zero
- 9 waste, but it clearly has to be product stewardship,
- 10 source reduction those types of things.
- 11 And when we don't even include it in our
- 12 description of what we think zero waste is and it takes 12
- 13 boxes to describe it, I'm going to ask the Board to change
- 14 that to a sustainable A so that we don't have to explain
- 15 our vision and then include zero waste in the other parts
- 16 of the strategic plan, because I think it's a valid goal.
- 17 So I just wanted to offer that as an amendment to that
- 18 vision.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. And then
- 20 Mr. Paparian.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah, I feel like I
- 22 should pass out what I have as recommendations all the way
- 23 through, because there's an inter-relationship. I'm
- 24 comfortable with what Mr. Jones is saying about changing
- 25 the vision statement, provided that when we get to the

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- 1 goals there is an elaboration of a goal of trying to
- 2 achieve zero waste.
- 3 So let me just go ahead and pass a out. And then
- 4 just by brief way of explanation, I think the staff has a
- 5 copy of it too. By brief way of explanation, there's
- 6 basically four things that I'm trying to accomplish. A is
- 7 the clarification of zero waste and what it's about. The
- 8 second is further highlighting of environmental justice
- 9 amongst the goals. A third is including enforcement and
- 10 highlighting enforcement. And I think that might actually
- 11 turn out to be one of the more intriguing discussions that
- 12 we have. And then the final one is to clarify who some of
- 13 the public citizenry stakeholders and others are that we
- 14 are trying to reach out to.
- So I'll go through some of this as we go through
- 16 the items on the screen, but again the major things that
- 17 I'm trying to get at are including enforcement, clarifying
- 18 on zero waste and further highlighting environmental
- 19 justice.
- 20 If you look at the structure of the strategic
- 21 plan, when we get down to goals, goals are intended to be
- 22 realistic priorities of the organization to help us focus
- 23 our acts. It's clearly toward defined purposes and policy
- 24 and intention, and that's something I would, because of
- 25 that definition, I feel needs some beefing up in these

- 1 areas I've just discussed. So when we go into that,
- 2 perhaps we can go over that.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. So at this
- 4 point, you know, I don't think we're going to be voting on
- 5 everything single word, but if we have some consensus
- 6 should we go ahead and put it in is that the way you want
- 7 to do it.
- 8 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Right. And the
- 9 agenda item wasn't set up for the Board to adopt these
- 10 elements, but just give us direction, you know, the
- 11 vision -- you would like the vision to say a sustainable
- 12 California or whatever the words are. We can capture
- 13 those as we go through. What we're hoping is that once we
- 14 put the whole plan together, then the Board will adopt the
- 15 whole a all at one time later on in the process.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. I have no
- 17 problem with sustainable. I think it's a good suggestion.
- 18 And a Mr. Jones said, he wanted to put zero waste
- 19 California back in, at some point, is that correct, Mr.
- 20 Jones, as I understand it?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yes, ma'am.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And I see Mr.
- 23 Aprea. So maybe this would be the time for you to speak.
- MR. APREA: Madam Chair if the Board would
- 25 indulge me to the extent that you're going to try to start

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- 1 taking parts of the strategic plan item by item, if I
- 2 might have the liberty of coming back after this item as
- 3 you go through each one, where I'd like to comment.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sure. Do you
- 5 have comment so far?
- 6 MR. APREA: And I'm not going to comment on each
- 7 item, so a worry about that. But, yeah, I would like to
- 8 comment on the issue of zero waste.
- 9 And I want to first -- for the record, Mark
- 10 Aprea. I'm representing Republic Services. And my
- 11 comments do address this first item in terms of the
- 12 vision. And then I'll concur with Mr. Jones' comments
- 13 regarding what it means.
- I would also ask the question of the Board that
- 15 if there is a vision of zero waste, then my question to
- 16 the Board would be, and it would relate to this item, then
- 17 where are you going to get your funding?
- 18 (Laughter.)
- 19 MR. APREA: It relates to the comment we had
- 20 earlier today. And I'm half serious and half kidding, but
- 21 the fact of the matter is is that we raised that issue
- 22 earlier today. That issue was really not addressed in any
- 23 way earlier today, but we are striving in a vision for
- 24 zero waste, yet nowhere in this document do we see
- 25 anything where the Board will act or move forward in some

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- 1 kind of a fiscally responsive fashion and address the
- 2 consequences of zero waste.
- 3 Without even addressing the issue of whether zero
- 4 waste is appropriate or a, nothing in this statement
- 5 further down addresses that issue. And what I suspect
- 6 will happen then is that we will continue to have to raise
- 7 fees on a go forward basis on less and less waste, just as
- 8 we saw the Department of Toxic Substances Control had to
- 9 do in terms of hazardous waste, and we know how
- 10 unsuccessful that was.
- 11 And so I would urge that the Board in addressing
- 12 this issue address the matter in terms of its fiscal
- 13 responsibility and how it wants to move forward on that
- 14 issue.
- 15 Further more, I would ask that the Board look at
- 16 this issue and look at other issues, so the Board look at
- 17 what its statutory authority is.
- 18 First of all, it's not to suggest that there is
- 19 no statutory authority for a strategic plan, but I think
- 20 that you may be going -- on this item and others, you may
- 21 going beyond you statutory authority provided by the
- 22 Legislature, and that, in essence, you're going into --
- 23 you're engaging in a backdoor policy, if you would,
- 24 usurping or going beyond the bounds of the statute.
- 25 Your obligations, I think, are not only to make

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- 1 recommendations to the Legislature and to -- but it is to
- 2 take your statutory authority and implement it. I believe
- 3 that this item and others go beyond that.
- 4 The charge of the Integrated Waste Management Act
- 5 was to divert waste by -- one of the charges was to divert
- 6 waste by 50 percent and make sure there is appropriate
- 7 disposal capacity in 15 years. I think that this measure
- 8 goes well beyond that. And I think that before you engage
- 9 in sweeping policy changes that you look at that and say
- 10 does this or does this not full within your statutory
- 11 authority.
- 12 If there is a question mark, I would recommend
- 13 that you not move forward with that or at least seek some
- 14 statutory changes to ensure that you can.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- MR. APREA: With that, I'll stop on the zero
- 17 waste matter and come back on some other items.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 19 Aprea.
- 20 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: A ask a question.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Sure.
- 22 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Would you prefer to
- 23 work from the draft that Mr. Paparian has provided that
- 24 has some proposed changes in it already. You can see they
- 25 have done it with the tracking functions, so that you can

- 1 actually see where they struck out zero waste and put
- 2 sustainable.
- 3 Would it be easier for you to work from that
- 4 because I also have that draft here on the computer? So
- 5 you can see those changes and decide whether you want the
- 6 language to remain as it is or incorporate Mr. Paparian's
- 7 language or something else? What would be the easiest for
- 8 the Board?
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, you know,
- 10 frankly I wish I'd have had Mr. Paparian's draft. I've
- 11 looked at yours for two weeks, and, you know, this is a
- 12 lot to see.
- 13 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Or you can just
- 14 adopt staff's a that would be good too.
- 15 (Laughter.)
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'm ready to move.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Is there some in the back
- 18 for the public just in case they want to refer to Mr.
- 19 Paparian's.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Do you have some for the
- 21 public, Mr. Paparian?
- 22 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: I did not make
- 23 copies.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I mean just -- public
- 25 participation is something we stressed in the a item. It

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- 1 might be -- just in the event that someone does want to
- 2 follow along.
- 3 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Well, that's why I
- 4 was saying I can put it up here on the screen, so that
- 5 they can follow along.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Do you have a
- 7 copy of Mr. Paparian's?
- 8 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: I have a copy on the
- 9 computer of Mr. Paparian's version. So whoever is
- 10 listening can follow along on the --
- 11 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Unless they're listening in
- 12 their offices.
- 13 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Right.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I think we will
- 15 work from this, and then where we, you know, decide to
- 16 incorporate Mr. Paparian's suggestions, we will.
- 17 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Okay.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Is okay with
- 19 everybody. I think it gets too confusing the other way.
- 20 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Okay. So at this
- 21 point, what I a heard is that we will change zero waste to
- 22 sustainable in this statement?
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Any objections?
- I don't hear any.
- Mr. Kupps.

- 1 MR. KUPPS: Could interested members of the
- 2 public get a copy of Mr. Paparian's proposal?
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Certainly.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I have three extra
- 5 copies. A number of people in the Industry have seen
- 6 this.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Why don't you
- 8 provide Mr. Kupps with a copy, and Mr -- people that have
- 9 spoken.
- 10 GENERAL COUNSEL TOBIAS: Madam Chair, do you want
- 11 to just a break.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yeah, let's take
- 13 a little break, because I would like to provide enough
- 14 copies for those interested since it's a public meeting.
- 15 (Thereupon a brief recess was taken.)
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, I'd like to
- 17 get back to our meeting.
- 18 Okay, back to the discussion of our strategic
- 19 plan. And maybe you can help me with this, Ms. Packard.
- 20 Is this our time to just kind of give you a feel of our
- 21 direction or to change every word?
- 22 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Whatever you wish.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Whatever we want
- 24 to do, okay.
- 25 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: And it seemed like

- 1 it was real important to make sure at least that the
- 2 vision and the mission were the words that you were
- 3 comfortable with as a board.
- 4 So if we could at least go --
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: So the vision and
- 6 the mission.
- 7 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: We've already talked
- 8 about the vision. If we took a look at the mission and
- 9 the Board felt that the words were there and it captured
- 10 fairly well the essence of what you want to communicate,
- 11 then we could do the values in a more general way.
- 12 And then I think we do need some real specific
- 13 guidance, not so much the words, but in terms of
- 14 additional concepts for the goals would be good.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- Mr. Paparian.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Madam Chair.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I just wanted to -- you
- 20 asked about ex partes, I just have one. And Mark Aprea
- 21 about zero waste.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: George Larson.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Medina.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye. To Aye. Aye. Mr.

- 1 Paparian.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: None.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I have none.
- 4 Okay, do you want to go back to your suggestions
- 5 Mr. Paparian?
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: If we're talking about
- 7 the mission, no. I think the staff has done a great job
- 8 on that.
- 9 I think when we get to the values and goals
- 10 that's where the discussion may take us.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. So can I
- 12 assume that the vison and the mission with the one change
- 13 are fine with the members?
- Now is the time, I guess, to speak if you're not
- 15 okay with that.
- MR. APREA: Madam Chair?
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Aprea.
- 18 MR. APREA: May I make a statement on this item?
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Certainly.
- 20 MR. APREA: Again, I'd like to point the Board to
- 21 the phrase ensure all materials are managed to their
- 22 highest and best use. Number one, the Board does not this
- 23 Board statutory authority to my knowledge to engage in
- 24 that kind of -- to sort of pursue that kind of a mission.
- Number one, in fact, many of the statutory

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- 1 requirements on the Board are contrary to that statement.
- 2 As an example, operating a landfill, I think, could be
- 3 clearly stated does not ensure that all materials are
- 4 being managed to their highest and best use.
- 5 Again, I think in light of your statutory
- 6 authority this goes beyond that, and that you ought to
- 7 examine that statement before adopting it.
- 8 CHAIRPESON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr.
- 9 Aprea.
- 10 Any comments, questions?
- 11 Okay.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I think maybe, Madam Chair,
- 13 that some of the issues are raised -- you did raise a
- 14 point that it is a discussion item that as these points
- 15 are raised either through staff, board members and/or
- 16 testimony here, we ought to check them against some of the
- 17 testimony to ensure that we are, at least, consistent
- 18 after whatever ultimately comes out of the discussion,
- 19 just for that kind of consistency.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I mean it seems
- 21 that certainly can be our vision. Is it our mission? I
- 22 don't know.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I think it's semantics in
- 24 the sense of just can you know we do best use and some of
- 25 the other, approximately do our entire stuff, you know, it

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- 1 should be the beneficial use I think that's what it really
- 2 boils down to, with out getting into a long protracted
- 3 things. I think it's a semantic thing that probably.
- 4 CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR FISH: Madam Chair, if I
- 5 could. I believe that staff what were accomplishing with
- 6 that statement was a restatement of reduce reuse and
- 7 recycled.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. We could
- 9 think about that.
- 10 You know, I still feel -- maybe I'm getting mixed
- 11 up with vision and mission, but personally I would
- 12 certainly think it would be our vision, the highest and
- 13 best use, whether or not that is our exact mission, you
- 14 know, we could certainly --
- Mr. Jones.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES:
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Do you have a
- 18 problem with it, you're from the industry?
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Well, I understand what Mr.
- 20 Aprea is saying, but I think that our mission is to reduce
- 21 the waste stream, to ensure that materials are managed to
- 22 the highest and best use and to protect public health and
- 23 the safety. And I think in protecting the public health
- 24 and safety, we're talking about the disposal component of
- 25 the -- this is our mission, I mean, of what we do.

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- 1 So I'm not -- I think Mr. Eaton is probably right
- 2 it's semantics and, you know, maybe we have to look at the
- 3 word ensure as a point and see if it's -- maybe we have to
- 4 put another word there, but I don't have a problem with
- 5 it.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 7 Let's go on to the values part.
- 8 Mr. Paparian, did you want to talk about your
- 9 change right here?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah. Again, generally
- 11 what I'm trying to get at is increasing our mission and
- 12 commitment to enforcement in both the values and goals.
- 13 And I think rather than necessarily word-smithing on some
- 14 of the enforcement stuff, we may want to just have a
- 15 discussion about whether that's a direction the Board
- 16 wants to this Board then, you know, if it is, you know,
- 17 staff has some suggestions, others could make some
- 18 suggestions about how to incorporate that the values and
- 19 goals. You know, if it isn't the direction the Board
- 20 wants to take, then the things I have in here on
- 21 enforcement become less relevant.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Any
- 23 comments?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.

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- 1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I do have some comments.
- 2 I've had some discussions on this one item. I, at lunch,
- 3 read the beginning of AB 939 and what our mandate is, and
- 4 it's clear that our mandate is to protect public health
- 5 and safety. And I don't think any board since 1989 or
- 6 1990 has ever done anything not to ensure that the
- 7 environment and public health and safety were our utmost
- 8 concern.
- I have a problem with the fact that under values,
- 10 these principles that we struggle to uphold as we work to
- 11 fulfill our mission and our vision, each member of this
- 12 organization should know the values we stand for and to
- 13 act in accordance with them.
- 14 I think it's clear that our commitment to the
- 15 environment and public health and safety have to be our
- 16 overriding concern, our overriding value. I like the idea
- 17 that we say we build our certain in the environment in
- 18 everything we do. We act to protect public health and
- 19 safety in everything do. We use enforcement as a tool to
- 20 ensure compliance and to support our efforts to protect
- 21 the public health and safety and the environment.
- I'm a little bit worried about the -- so I
- 23 would -- say I wouldn't include enforcement on that
- 24 commitment line, because I think it's clear the third
- 25 bullet.

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- 1 And then the fourth bullet that says, we are
- 2 committed to eliminating, reducing and controlling adverse
- 3 public health and environmental impacts associated with
- 4 facilities under the Board's jurisdiction.
- 5 I guess when I read it, I wondered if we
- 6 eliminate it, then won don't have to reduce or control it.
- 7 If we reduce it, we can keep striving to eliminate it. If
- 8 we control it, maybe we've managed it. I'm just not sure.
- 9 I mean they are three nice words, but I'm not sure that --
- 10 I think we have a commitment to work with the locals to --
- 11 we have a commitment to manage or control adverse public
- 12 health and environmental impacts associated with
- 13 facilities under the Board's jurisdiction.
- 14 There's a problem with that term, I think,
- 15 because the facility is under the counties. It's under
- 16 the county's jurisdiction and we are the overriding agency
- 17 that concurs in a permit and then does inspections to make
- 18 sure that those counted eases are doing their job.
- 19 So we're not the EA in those facilities. We're
- 20 not the ones that are ensuring it. It's a local
- 21 insurance, and we're here to give policy direction and to
- 22 enforce through our regulations the tools they need to
- 23 manage those facilities safely and to State minimum
- 24 standards.
- 25 So I just don't know how we can do the 4th bullet

- 1 or what the clarity is there.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: You actually -- I'm mean
- 3 you actually do bring up some good points, Mr. Jones. And
- 4 maybe it should read something like a commitment to work
- 5 with local governments to control the adverse impacts.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Well, how about the impacts,
- 7 because not every facility is an adverse impact. I mean,
- 8 you know, define adverse.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: You know --
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'm not assuming that
- 11 every facility has an adverse impact, but I'm assuming
- 12 there are adverse impacts associated with some facilities.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Right. Well, there are
- 14 impacts associated with every facility, right, at some
- 15 time.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Would it hold
- 17 things up since we have agreed on our vision and our
- 18 mission, if Mr. Jones and Mr. Paparian work with Ms.
- 19 Packard and try to come up with something that was
- 20 agreeable, rather than do it right now it's difficult?
- 21 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Madam Chair, I think it
- 22 would be good if they Aye. With all the Board members.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Well, of course,
- 24 and we've had our chance to come in and give our input.
- 25 We certainly have, and you know it could come back to all

- 1 the Board members then.
- 2 Would you like to work with them, maybe have a
- 3 subcommittee of the three of you? I mean, I'm real
- 4 interested in this. This is very important, but we have
- 5 had a lot of meetings and our input and I just don't want
- 6 to sit up here and change word by word, is that going to
- 7 hold thing up?
- 8 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: If we take some time
- 9 outside of the Board meeting?
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: On the values.
- 11 Or if you want to do it right now, go ahead, but I just --
- 12 right now, I'm ready to vote for as it was with staff,
- 13 unless we can, you know, speed this up a little bit and --
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'll second that.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: -- have a little
- 16 agreement on these word. I just thought maybe the two of
- 17 you could work out --
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair, if you want to
- 19 make a motion to take a staff recommendation, I'll second
- 20 that.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I hate to do that
- 22 to Mr. Paparian, you know, because he has some good
- 23 suggestions here and I want to think about them, but --
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Because I think we ought
- 25 include is we use enforcement as a tool.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: That's actually in the
- 2 original, then there was mistake and struck out and then
- 3 put back in there. But Madam Chair, I'm fine going in the
- 4 direction that you're suggesting, but I think that -- and
- 5 they can work out the language on a lot of this stuff.
- I think when we get to the issue of enforcement
- 7 amongst our goals, I think we may have a fundamental
- 8 disagreement between myself and Mr. Jones, that maybe the
- 9 Board is going to need to settle. And maybe we just bring
- 10 that disagreement to the Board.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Which one do you think we're
- 12 going to disagree on?
- 13 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Under the --
- 14 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Are you talking
- 15 about the goals now?
- 16 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Yeah.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: He's going to pick. I just
- 18 want to hear because you may be shocked.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: The goals --
- 20 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Members, I'll ask that we
- 21 give direction to staff, because that's what the item is.
- 22 It's not a consideration Item. It's a request for
- 23 direction so request I'm going to ask staff to work with
- 24 Mr. Jones and Mr. Paparian to come back with a document,
- 25 and if there is any differences in that document we'll

- 1 take it up at that time.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And then Staff can just shop
- 3 it round after we have a discussion.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: That's kind of
- 5 what I had in mind. It was eliminating you, Mr. Medina.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: We can work it out and
- 7 try to identify the differences that we have and bring it
- 8 back to the Board.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I really wan to know which
- 10 goal though.
- 11 (Laughter.)
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: But let me just bring one
- 13 thing up real quickly, Madam Chair. It will only take two
- 14 seconds. It's fundamental to this thing, under the
- 15 commitment to partnership and service, we had here or
- 16 staff had we work in partnership with our internal and
- 17 external customers. And I remember that was part of both
- 18 the internal and external stakeholder meetings that we
- 19 had.
- 20 That's been stricken, and we say now we work in
- 21 partnership with our employees as well as the public,
- 22 impact to communities and nonprofits, business community,
- 23 and regulated community. We forgot some communities
- 24 there, but my real problem is this document is a document
- 25 of the Integrated Waste Management Board, and to say that

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- 1 we will work with our employees presumes that this is the
- 2 6th of our document, and we have a commitment to work with
- 3 employees.
- And that really bothers me, because I've gone
- 5 through this process twice, and our employees -- you know,
- 6 board members come and go. We're like, you know, whatever
- 7 somebody's whim and the staff is here every day, every
- 8 day. And they're what drives this place. They're the
- 9 ones that do the work. And I read that and it just really
- 10 struck me as I didn't understand. And I don't think it
- 11 was an intent, but that's how I got -- that this was from
- 12 six of us and some folks that, you know --
- 13 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: If that's how it's read,
- 14 the point is well taken and that's -- to me that's fine to
- 15 change that.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Back to internal and
- 17 external?
- 18 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: The problem I have was I
- 19 don't know who customer is, and what we're trying to do is
- 20 give some definition to what the customer is. I
- 21 understand the customer of a supermarket. I'm not sure I
- 22 understand the customer of this Waste Board. And I'm
- 23 trying to get some clarity there as to who that customer
- 24 is. But again perhaps that's something you and I can try
- 25 to work out.

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1 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Could you two
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- 2 work it out. And, you know, certainly, if you want my
- 3 input, you know, I want to see enforcement in there. And
- 4 you know where we have enforcement authority, I want to
- 5 use it and I think every board member does.
- 6 So maybe you two could get together and show all
- 7 of the members' offices, and then we can bring this back.
- 8 Would that be okay with you, Ms. Packard.
- 9 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: If I could just say,
- 10 if you recall the process that we're describing to you is
- 11 to now take -- basically take the goals and develop the
- 12 objectives and strategies and performance measures. And
- 13 we have one month to do that starting tomorrow.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Can you guys --
- ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: If we don't have the
- 16 goals, we can't do the rest of the work, which will impact
- 17 the timeframe, and we are already behind in terms of
- 18 CalEPA's timeframe from wanting a strategic plan from the
- 19 Board.
- 20 So if I could suggest an alternative rather than
- 21 going through line by line on the goals. If the Board
- 22 could make that policy decision that Mr. Paparian was
- 23 talking about, do you want a goal about enforcement, then
- 24 we can go back, as the executive staff the group that
- 25 drafted a document, and make sure that there is a goal

1 about enforcement or a goal about, whatever, environmental

- 2 justice, and utilize those concepts to work toward the
- 3 objectives strategies and performance measures.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And we'd see it
- 5 before?
- 6 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: And then you would
- 7 see all of that together, the language and you could, you
- 8 know, word-smith it or change the language itself, but the
- 9 concept would be there and then we could continue with our
- 10 work.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. We're
- 12 going to go through the goals, so you'll have it. We
- 13 don't want to be late to CalEPA.
- 14 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Okay.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- Goal number one.
- 17 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: Well, what might be
- 18 useful is for Mr. Paparian to, I guess, discuss again the
- 19 changes, you know, explaining the rationale for the
- 20 changes, et cetera, and then move on. But there are a
- 21 couple of goals in here that are proposed by Mr. Paparian
- 22 that I've heard at least support of several board members
- 23 for environmental justice.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: You have my
- 25 support on enforcement. However you want to word it,

- 1 that's up to you guys as long as you run it by everybody.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: If we're going through
- 3 these goals, I think there is -- from the last agenda
- 4 item, I think there's general agreement on a general
- 5 concept of goal number 7 in my draft environmental justice
- 6 goal. From the zero waste discussion earlier, I think
- 7 there's general agreement on number 8 possibly with
- 8 changing recycle to reduce, reuse or recycle.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Right. Mr. Jones
- 10 said he was for that, right, Mr. Jones?
- 11 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: So I think there are some
- 12 who wanted to put number 3 back in, in my draft line,
- 13 which is fine with me.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, definitely.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: And then we get to number
- 16 1 and number 6. Number 1, again, was attempting to put
- 17 further definition to who it is we're reaching out to. I
- 18 think that's something that we can discuss outside that.
- 19 We're getting into real nit-picky word-smithing that we
- 20 can discuss outside the context of the meeting.
- 21 And then finally, number 6 is the one that puts
- 22 enforcement into the goals by saying promote integrated
- 23 and consistent permitting, inspection and enforcement
- 24 efforts.
- 25 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: I do have a question

- 1 about that one. Is that then not a subset of number four
- 2 is different, and is it really intended to reflect the
- 3 cross-media approach or what do you mean by integrated I
- 4 quesses is it?
- 5 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Again, the attempt is to
- 6 really inject enforcement amongst the goals.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I have no problem with that
- 8 goal, because everybody in my industry that operates by
- 9 the rules, which I always did, wanted the Board to enforce
- 10 against those people that don't. I have no problem with
- 11 that.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: So maybe we're fine.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Big surprise.
- 14 (Laughter.)
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: But I have a problem with
- 16 number one, because you've excluded government, you've
- 17 excluded -- you know, and I mean to say include the
- 18 public, nonprofits, business community and the regulated
- 19 community, we don't have local government, we don't have
- 20 industry, we don't -- you know, so --
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Maybe we should
- 22 just leave it in.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think we ought to just go
- 24 back to the original words on that one, because every time
- 25 we try to make a list of who's included, we will exclude,

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1 and it won't be by purpose. And I'm not saying that there
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- 2 was any -- you know what I'm saying, it's in trying to
- 3 make a list there's always going to be somebody excluded.
- 4 If Mahajer was here he'd be going bananas right
- 5 now.
- 6 (Laughter.)
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So to increase participation
- 8 in resource conservation, integrated waste management, I
- 9 don't have a problem with that. Waste prevention, product
- 10 stewardship, manufacturer responsibility to reduce waste
- 11 and create, a sustainable diversion infrastructure
- 12 confuses me. Diversion infrastructure is part of a
- 13 sustainable system.
- 14 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: If I could make a
- 15 comment on that. I think it narrows the intent when we
- 16 wrote the words. It narrows it only to the diversion
- 17 infrastructure. In our minds, there was a broader
- 18 definition of sustainability that includes everything
- 19 like -- everything from start to finish, not just about
- 20 the end where we're diverting waste from being disposed.
- 21 So it --
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: If we say a sustainable
- 23 infrastructure that's going to cover everything.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Mr. Jones, I think I can
- 25 help move this quickly. Let's go back to the original on

- 1 that.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Just one moment
- 3 on number 1, I liked the original, but I liked your
- 4 resource conservation.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yeah, add that part.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: In we add that.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Great.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Let's say okay so we say
- 9 after increased participation --
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And in resource
- 11 conservation.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: -- we have resource
- 13 conservation and integrated waste management, waste
- 14 prevention. Absolutely, that's a good fix, all that
- 15 stuff.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. And number
- 17 two is fine.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: But we take out diversion
- 19 right, Mr. Paparian?
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Correct.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, so you have
- 22 number 1, number 2 is okay, put back on 3, 4 is fine, 5 is
- 23 fine, 6 is fine, any problem with 7 or 8?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: No.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: We made a change on 8.

- 1 Change the word recycle to reduce, reuse or recycle.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Have you
- 3 got all that?
- 4 We did it.
- 5 Okay, thank you.
- 6 Any other comments. Oh, did Mr. Aprea leave?
- 7 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I just have one of Mr. Liss,
- 8 and you mentioned in your comments that there were
- 9 landfills leaking in California. Do you have information
- 10 as to which ones they are?
- 11 MR. LISS: No, I was referring to the report.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER EATON: And I wasn't being
- 13 facetious, because if that's the case, we need to know
- 14 that. If you have information as to a leaking landfill,
- 15 I'd like to find that out, because our staff hasn't
- 16 brought it to our attention. And I don't think if -- I
- 17 mean if there is one we would like to do it because we can
- 18 clean it up.
- 19 MR. LISS: I believe the reference was to the
- 20 water use report last year where they reference concern
- 21 about the possibility of leaking. I may not have been
- 22 absolutely clear in that. Around the country it is much
- 23 more of a concern than in this state.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Thank you.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.

- Okay, thank you, Mr. Liss.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Madam Chair, glad to see
- 3 that we did adopt the goals and that we did include
- 4 environmental justice in there.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, we did.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: And I must say that one of
- 7 the previous speakers when he Aye. Addressed the -- a
- 8 ensure all materials are managed to their highest and best
- 9 use.
- 10 Again, I had problems with that one statement
- 11 when I first read through it, and it may be correct, but
- 12 that's one of the things that struck me when I read
- 13 through it. I don't know if there's anything more
- 14 appropriate.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I think we said
- 16 maybe look at that and come back on that.
- 17 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: We can certainly do
- 18 that.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 20 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PACKARD: I think just being
- 21 able to have --
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: How about work to promote.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just real quickly. How
- 25 about if we just change that word ensure to promote and

- 1 whatever other preposition you have to put with it. We
- 2 are promoting the best use of materials management.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I think that
- 4 fits.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Does that work for you?
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yeah, that sounds
- 7 great.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'm with all of you.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, waste
- 10 prevention, Ms. Wohl.
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Good afternoon, Madam
- 12 Chair and Board members, Patty Wohl, Waste Prevention and
- 13 Market Development Division.
- 14 Agenda Item 31 which has been revised is
- 15 consideration of approval of the scope of work for the
- 16 Native American Intergovernmental Greening Project. And
- 17 Kathy Marsh will present.
- MS. MARSH: Good afternoon, this item proposes to
- 19 send out a Request For Proposal for a consultant who has a
- 20 cultural perspective and experience in Native American
- 21 society to develop a guide book. The guide book will be
- 22 specifically designed to encourage the use of
- 23 environmentally preferable products and other waste
- 24 prevention practices for building an construction
- 25 projects, and in the daily operation of businesses that

- 1 are owned and operated by California's Native American
- 2 tribes.
- 3 This scope of works timetable has been changed
- 4 from 18 months to 13 months, which will begin from the
- 5 date DGS Legal reviews and approves it. Staff requests
- 6 the Board to approve the scope of work and to adopt
- 7 resolution 2001-210 to move this project forward.
- 8 That's it.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very
- 10 much.
- 11 Mr. Medina, did Aye. Have Aye. Comment on this?
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I don't Aye. Aye. To add to
- 13 that.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I'll go ahead and move
- 15 it. I'll move Resolution 2001-210.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I'll second Aye. Aye. Okay,
- 17 thank you. Thank you for your work.
- 18 Please call the roll.
- 19 Agenda item 31. It's resolution 2001-210 moved
- 20 by Mr. Paparian seconded by Mr. Medina, revised.
- 21 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 23 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 25 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?

- 1 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 2 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 3 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 4 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 5 Moulton-Patterson?
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 7 Agenda item 32.
- 8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Agenda Item 32
- 9 Consideration of Approval of Contractor for the Plastics
- 10 White Paper Contract.
- John Nuffer will present.
- 12 MR. NUFFER: Some day maybe we'll be first.
- 13 John Nuffer with the Waste Prevention and Record
- 14 Development Division. Item 32 seeks your approval of the
- 15 New Point Group as contractor for the plastics white paper
- 16 contract. The Board at its January 2001 meeting approved
- 17 the scope of work for the plastics white paper in an
- 18 amounted not to exceed \$75,000.
- 19 Through the white paper, the contractor would
- 20 take an independent look at the use, disposal and
- 21 recycling of plastics in California, and develop for the
- 22 Board creative policy options designed to increase the
- 23 recycling of plastics and increase the use of more
- 24 post-consumer resin in products and packaging.
- 25 Staff provided a contractor profile for the New

- 1 Point Group at the Board briefing. The New Point Group
- 2 has significant experience related to plastics and policy
- 3 development and including projects for the Board and for
- 4 the Department of Conservation.
- 5 They're also independent of any of our
- 6 stakeholders. They only do work for the State and local
- 7 governments.
- 8 We also checked out the references. The
- 9 references were sterling. We're, therefore, recommending
- 10 the New Point Group as contractor for the plastics white
- 11 paper and ask that you adopt Resolution 2001-209.
- We'd be happy to answer any questions.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- Mr. Medina.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Madam, Aye. Aye. Have no
- 16 questions. I'd like to move Resolution 2001-209 revised
- 17 approval of contractor for the plastics white paper
- 18 contract fiscal year 2000/2001 contract concept number 9,
- 19 contract number item IWM-COO77.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Second.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. We have a
- 22 motion by Mr. Medina seconded by Aye. Jones.
- 23 Please call the roll.
- 24 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 25 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.

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1 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
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- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 3 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 4 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 5 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 7 SECRETARY VILLA: Roberti?
- 8 Moulton-Patterson?
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Madam Chair, I'd like to
- 11 do Item 34 prior to Item 33. We have a last minute
- 12 changes on the wording for 33.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- So Agenda Item 34 is the discussion of options to
- 15 provide advance Notice of all container and PET Rigid
- 16 Plastic Packaging Container recycling rates by using a
- 17 prospective rate or the previous year's rate.
- 18 And Maureen Goodall will present.
- MS. GOODALL: It came up a lot faster than I
- 20 thought. My name is Maureen Goodall and this afternoon
- 21 I'm going to be talking about Item number 34, which is
- 22 discussion of options to provide advanced notice in all
- 23 container and PET RPPC recycling rates by using a
- 24 prospective rate or the previous year's rate.
- 25 And to begin, I just want to say that this

- 1 concept of exploring a prospective rate was initiated by
- 2 Board Member Eaton, and was previously included in the
- 3 November item from last year, November last year's board
- 4 meeting. And we want to go a little bit more in depth on
- 5 the item today.
- 6 For quite awhile we've been hearing from industry
- 7 that they don't know whether they have met their statutory
- 8 requirement of 25 percent recycling of RPPCs until it's
- 9 too late for them to do anything about it.
- 10 And they want to have time to take alternative
- 11 actions to ensure that they're in compliance with the law.
- 12 Using a prospective rate for the previous year's rate
- 13 would give industry the advanced notice in they need in
- 14 order to enable them to plan for their individual
- 15 compliance if it is necessary. First of all, I would like
- 16 to take just a couple minutes to describe what we mean by
- 17 previous year's rate and prospective rate.
- 18 When we say prospective rate, we're talking about
- 19 a recycling rate that's been estimated for a future period
- 20 of time, in this case it could be for the following year.
- 21 As opposed to a previous year's rate when we say that,
- 22 we're talking about using the latest actual rate
- 23 calculations, and then applying it for enforcement
- 24 purposes to the following year.
- 25 And in the latter case for using the previous

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- 1 year's rate, this rate may or may not reflect the actual
- 2 recycling rate for the year it is applied. But it's the
- 3 actual rate for the last year calculated, so that's the
- 4 difference between the two.
- 5 So to get on with the item, in order to have the
- 6 most productive discussion possible, what I'd like to do
- 7 is take each of the option groups, there's three of them,
- 8 individually and present one at a time, and then have a
- 9 discussion between each, allowing you time to talk about
- 10 them before I proceed with the presentation.
- 11 So the first option group is options for use of
- 12 prospective rate or the previous year's rate, which, in
- 13 your packet, is option 1A through 1C. And basically these
- 14 deal with whether or not you'd like to use the prospective
- 15 rate or previous year's rate. And in summary the options
- 16 include estimating a prospective rate for advisory
- 17 purchases or estimating a prospective rate for compliance
- 18 purposes or finally using the previous year's rate.
- 19 The first one, Option aA, is estimate prospective
- 20 rates in December of each year for the following year for
- 21 advisory purposes only and continue to calculate the RPPC
- 22 rates in July after the compliance year is completed.
- 23 Basically with this option, the Board would be
- 24 putting out a prospective rate each year, but the industry
- 25 couldn't really count on it being the actual rate when it

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- 1 comes time for compliance with the law.
- 2 We would still be using the rate calculated the
- 3 year after for compliance with the law. For this option,
- 4 there could be times when the prospective rate is either
- 5 higher or lower than the actual calculated rates. This
- 6 could cause difficulties, especially in instance of one or
- 7 the other is above or below 25 percent.
- 8 However, the Board does have discretion as to
- 9 whether it decides to have individual companies certify
- 10 for compliance in any particular year.
- 11 Option 1B is estimate prospective rates in
- 12 December of each year for the following year and pursue
- 13 legislation and/or regulations to use these rates for
- 14 compliance purposes. In this case, the Board would be
- 15 putting out a prospective rate each year. And the
- 16 industry could count on it for compliance purposes.
- 17 Thereby, they would be better able to plan for compliance.
- 18 This method is the one that's currently used by
- 19 the State of Oregon. And their success in estimating
- 20 prospective rates has been mixed. By that I mean they
- 21 have correctly indicated whether the recycling rate is
- 22 above or below 25 percent each year. However, their
- 23 estimated percentages have not been very accurate. And,
- 24 for example, so you understand what I'm talking about, in
- 25 1996, which is the last year they put out a specific rate,

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- 1 their prospective rate for that year was 33.3 percent.
- 2 And when they calculated the actual rate for the same
- 3 year, it turned out to be 29.7 percent.
- In addition Oregon hasn't yet had a year where
- 5 their recycling rate has fallen below 25 percent, which is
- 6 also their statutory threshold. And therefore, the
- 7 industry hasn't had any reason for challenge of their
- 8 method of doing things.
- 9 And the third and final option is in this group
- 10 is 1C rely on the previous year's actual recycling rates
- 11 for compliance in the current year. Initiate compliance
- 12 certifications in March of the year following the
- 13 compliance year, if the all-container rate is below 25
- 14 percent, and pursue legislation and/or regulations to use
- 15 the previous year's rates for compliance purposes.
- With this option, the Board would approve its
- 17 annual RPPC recycling rates, in July for the previous year
- 18 as normal. But, instead we would use them for compliance
- 19 purposes for the current year.
- In essence this method shifts the compliance year
- 21 ahead one year allowing manufacturers some notice
- 22 regarding whether or not they will be required to
- 23 individually comply with the RPPC law.
- And a summary of the pros and cons for this
- 25 section is on the pros, all of these will give

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- 1 manufacturers advanced notice in recycling rates, and all
- 2 of them will provide the information to our stakeholders
- 3 in a timely manner.
- 4 The cons for this section are that the recycling
- 5 rate projections are less accurate than retrospective
- 6 calculations. And that's for the prospective not the
- 7 previous year.
- 8 And projecting an incorrect recycling rate could
- 9 cause more problems than it solves. And then for all of
- 10 these options, it would increase staff workload.
- 11 In addition, staffs, both plastics staff and
- 12 legal staff feel that any of the above options that I've
- 13 talked about could be achieved through regulations and
- 14 would not necessarily require a legislative or statute
- 15 change.
- So this ends the first portion and I'd be happy
- 17 to answer questions or whatever you'd like at this point.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just a quick question, I
- 20 like the idea of Oregon, but their the situation is
- 21 they've never been below their mandate. How does the
- 22 industry feel about the fact, or the plastics folks, your
- 23 stakeholder group. For the last three years the plastics
- 24 industry has not been able to meet the mandate of
- 25 California?

- 1 So it would seem the math would be easy to do
- 2 because, you know, you have actual numbers of how far they
- 3 were below compliance? Is it reasonably easy to make that
- 4 determination, you know, when you're looking out a year
- 5 ahead that they're so far behind it would take some
- 6 phenomenal effort to get them there and would they -- ${\tt I}$
- 7 mean, if we did that, would they end upcoming back and --
- 8 MS. GOODALL: Well, normally, that would be an
- 9 easy progress to make, except that last year we expanded
- 10 the bottle bill and there's a lot more recycling that's
- 11 happening, so we're going to be a lot closer than we have
- 12 in the last few years.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: That's good news.
- MS. GOODALL: So it's an issue.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Madam Chair?
- 17 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Paparian.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: In terms of staff
- 19 resources and efforts as I'm looking at your A, B and C
- 20 there, it seems like your option C would be the least
- 21 staff resource intensive in terms of making it work?
- MS. GOODALL: That's correct, we would just be
- 23 applying the rate that we already calculated.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: And, you know, as you
- 25 pointed out, is there some difficulty in actually making

- 1 your prospective guess, you know, so that the accuracy
- 2 under A and B may be questionable. So as I read this and
- 3 I hear the presentation, the C option sounds pretty good
- 4 to me.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Eaton, you
- 6 asked about this.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Option 1C.
- 8 MS. GOODALL: Correct.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: That's what I'm looking
- 10 at.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Part of the problem, quite
- 12 frankly, from that perspective is that it does require a
- 13 whole statutory overhaul. And to try and sort of make,
- 14 you know, a hybrid of the prospective with the existing
- 15 statutory scheme really is quite the problem.
- And you're right, the prospective rate is
- 17 speculative in the sense that you won't really know what
- 18 the rate is until it's calculated at that time.
- 19 However, if you have listened, as we have, and
- 20 actually if you look at Item number -- the item before
- 21 this, I think Madam Chair you can attest to it, you tried
- 22 to get involved in this issue, where you tried to combine
- 23 the two or three. And I'm not, you know -- just to see if
- 24 it would work.
- 25 And it became very difficult when you look back

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- 1 at situations where they tried to meet the rate, and then
- 2 you have the industry people come in and tell you well,
- 3 you know, we have product lines, we have three years by
- 4 which we have to make our changes, et cetera.
- 5 So the whole idea behind the prospective scheme,
- 6 and that's really what we're talking about here, is the
- 7 fact that you can frame it in such a way that you can say
- 8 okay, cut all your little, you know, gamesmanship out,
- 9 we're going to shoot for 28 percent, and in two years or
- 10 whatever that rate is and it's calculated, let's say it
- 11 comes out to 25 percent is the actual rate.
- 12 The way you build that in is that if you're above
- 13 or below -- or if you're above that rate, the actual rate,
- 14 when it's calculated then you're fine. So it doesn't
- 15 really matter if you're off by one or two like Oregon was
- 16 at 31 or 32 or 33 if you came to 28, all those that were
- 17 above 28 were there.
- And I think that's the way that you have to frame
- 19 it, but it also takes away all of the industry and all of
- 20 the plastic resin manufacturers' argument that for some
- 21 reason you guys build up all this staff time, you know, to
- 22 try and just work out all the little whims. Well, we
- 23 don't have these records or that record. The whole idea
- 24 with the prospective, the theory behind it, whether it be
- 25 Oregon or any other State that's contemplating it is the

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- 1 fact that they're on notice and they have no excuse by
- 2 which not to meet that.
- 3 And when it's calculated, you're either above it
- 4 or you're below it. And if you're below it, you pay it,
- 5 you pay whatever the enforcement action is. I think
- 6 that's a simple scheme, but in order to do that and have
- 7 our have staff do it is going to require a whole statutory
- 8 situation where you really throw out what our RPPC law is
- 9 right now, for the most part and work towards trying to
- 10 make it such that it will work in whatever categories are
- 11 included in there, as you know, they'll come marching in
- 12 and they'll show you what bottles apply, don't apply,
- 13 what's in, what's not in, that kind of thing.
- 14 That's what, you know, is there, but I think that
- 15 it would be very difficult for me to add more layers of
- 16 hybrids on you, when you already know what it takes just
- 17 to come up with the actual rate for one year.
- 18 So what I'd like to be to see is that if there is
- 19 one option here that's really good to come up with a
- 20 statutory scheme, which we could then go and try and shop
- 21 and sell through stakeholder involvement, that would be
- 22 the case, because there are unique situations to Oregon,
- 23 for instance, what they command of their local
- 24 governments.
- 25 We don't have that statutory authority nor do we

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- 1 have that collection system that they have, so there's a
- 2 lot of distinction. The issue really for us board members
- 3 is do we want our enforcement to be retrospective so you
- 4 look back and say you didn't make it, so therefore you're
- 5 fined or do you want to look prospective and say you've
- 6 got no excuse, you didn't meet it, and you had every
- 7 opportunity to meet it.
- 8 And you can change your product lines, you change
- 9 your resin lines, you can change everything, that's really
- 10 the issue. And if that's a fundamental issue in decision
- 11 making, then I think you go back to staff and say we'd
- 12 like find something that provides that.
- 13 If you want to continued to go retrospective,
- 14 then it's just as it is. That's fine.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: I certainly
- 16 don't.
- 17 MR. ORR: Mr. Eaton, If I might clarify. Bill
- 18 Orr with the Waste Prevention Market Development Division.
- 19 What we've been trying to do and part of the reason we
- 20 brought this item back is that we've been exploring the
- 21 possibility of being able to pursue either a prospective
- 22 raise or using the previous year's rate as an
- 23 administrative solution, that we could either do it
- 24 through board direction or at the most through a
- 25 regulatory change.

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- 1 We have also been seeking a legislative solution
- 2 for the last year or so, and there are other issues that
- 3 we haven't been able to work through, so rather than
- 4 waiting until some time in the future where we can bring
- 5 forward a consensus proposal to address all of the
- 6 outstanding issues, we brought forward with us this one
- 7 item in hopes that we might be able to address it
- 8 administratively.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Which legislative proposal.
- MR. ORR: What's that?
- 11 BOARD MEMBER EATON: What's the legislative
- 12 proposal, I haven't seen it?
- MR. ORR: Well, we had a legislative proposal
- 14 that we had shared with the interested parties last fall
- 15 when we were trying, and it didn't really move anywhere,
- 16 and I think we were having difficulty achieving consensus
- 17 on that, and so we backed away from that, and that's why
- 18 we -- I think that this is one issue where there was
- 19 general agreement. And I think that the industry is here
- 20 to speak on behalf of this approach.
- 21 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Madam Chairman, can I add
- 22 something to that. Legal is in agreement with that.
- 23 We've been over the statutes, and we do feel like there is
- 24 room for the Board to either decide to use this approach
- 25 or to be even stronger to do a regulation package, which,

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- 1 of course, will allow the discussion to take place in
- 2 public with regulated parties and to see, you know,
- 3 whether there is opposition or support or neutrality
- 4 towards it.
- 5 Or then, you know, of course seeking a
- 6 legislative solution, you know, always provides some kind
- 7 of final clarity, but we are saying in this particular
- 8 situation we think the statute is susceptible to this
- 9 interpretation and that the Board could prudently pursue
- 10 this.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Well,
- 12 thank you. We do have a speaker. And then I guess you
- 13 just need our direction here.
- MS. GOODALL: This is a discussion item.
- 15 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Discussion, okay.
- 16 Well, I certainly like the prospective rate.
- 17 Mr. Larson.
- 18 MR. LARSON: Thank you, Madam Chair and members.
- 19 Yeah I just wanted to provide for the record information
- 20 that the American Plastics Council would certainly endorse
- 21 and support a prospective or a forward looking rate, all
- 22 of the discussions for the reasons that have already been
- 23 stated, so I just want to be on the record for that.
- I would encourage, though, if we do bring a
- 25 consideration item back for making this change in a

- 1 regulatory manner that we go -- you direct also that the
- 2 regulations immediately go into a revision process so that
- 3 we can get this incorporated. There's a number of changes
- 4 this already needed into the regulations on the Rigid
- 5 Plastic Program, as it stands today, because of the
- 6 experience that your board staff have gained over
- 7 implementing this over a number of years now.
- 8 So the regulations I would encourage be followed
- 9 immediately after the decision to go with the
- 10 prospective -- the forward looking rate.
- 11 Thank you.
- 12 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Can I assume that
- 13 all the members are favorable to a prospective rate? What
- 14 else do you need? Do you need any other direction from
- 15 us?
- 16 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: Well, I think, Madam
- 17 Chair, what you might want to do if direct, if you do want
- 18 the regs to come back, we could come back with emergency
- 19 regs that would put this into effect. If it's permanent
- 20 regs, it might take just a little while longer, but you
- 21 might want to do it. I'd certainly, you know, go ahead
- 22 with anything that Ms. Wohl decides, but I think legal
- 23 feels that it wouldn't take that much to put these into a
- 24 set of emergency regs.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, yeah.

- 1 CHIEF COUNSEL TOBIAS: I'm just offering that up.
- 2 MS. GOODALL: Could you clarify which option
- 3 you're leaning towards.
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Weren't we
- 5 looking at 1C, is that what --
- 6 MS. GOODALL: I just wanted to clarify that.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, since we
- 8 didn't have a staff recommendation, which one did the
- 9 staff like.
- MS. GOODALL: We would recommend 1C.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Is that okay with
- 12 you Mr. Eaton?
- 13 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Yeah I'm just having a
- 14 problem on page 34-5 seeing where option 1C uses a
- 15 protective rate.
- MS. GOODALL: Option 1C is not as we defined a
- 17 prospective rate but it's the previous year's rate, and
- 18 that's the one where we are applying the actual
- 19 calculation from the latest year for compliance in the
- 20 following year.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER EATON: So this year we determined
- 22 it was 30 percent, whatever. How does it function?
- MS. GOODALL: So next month we'll come to you
- 24 with a rate for 2000.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Let's say hypothetically 30

- 1 percent.
- 2 MS. GOODALL: Let's say it was 30, and you
- 3 decided to down this path with 1C, we would then apply
- 4 that rate for compliance purposes to the year 2001, and so
- 5 industry would be on notice for this year that that would
- 6 be the rate 30 percent and they would not have to
- 7 individually comply for this year.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: That's fine.
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: So it's prospective in how
- 11 it's used, but it's prospective in how it's. We're going
- 12 to use the previous year's rate in prospective way, if
- 13 that's makes sense.
- 14 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you
- 15 very much.
- 16 Okay, 33.
- 17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WOHL: Okay Agenda item 33 is
- 18 consideration of approval of the Rigid Plastic Packaging
- 19 Container RPPC Compliance Agreement for compliance years
- 20 '97, '98 and '99, and consideration of approval to
- 21 schedule public hearings to consider fines and penalties.
- 22 And Michelle Marlowe will present.
- MS. MARLOWE: Good afternoon, board members
- 24 Chairwomen Moulton-Patterson. I'm Michelle Marlowe with
- 25 the Plastics Recycling Technology Section in the waste

- 1 prevention and market development division.
- 2 And I'm pleased to bring to you today our first
- 3 group of companies that we are making recommendations for
- 4 from the combined 1997/98 and '99 certification.
- 5 As some of you may recall in February of this
- 6 year, we were directed to begin negotiating compliance
- 7 agreements with companies that filled out certifications
- 8 acknowledging that they were out of compliance for one or
- 9 more of those years.
- And we have out of that approximately 1,000
- 11 companies that we randomly surveyed, we had approximately
- 12 200 initially sent in certifications stating that they
- 13 were out of compliance. And so we're bringing this group
- 14 of 200 to you in groups of 30 at a time, approximately,
- 15 based on first in first out criteria.
- So those folks that responded earliest, we'd like
- 17 to deal with first. Again our first group of 30 companies
- 18 we -- the agenda Item says we're bringing 22 compliance
- 19 agreements to you today, and unfortunately due to last
- 20 minute negotiations that number has dropped to 21.
- 21 So what I have before I guess I really begin is a
- 22 revised resolution for Chem Spec. So Chem Spec we had
- 23 originally in our list of compliance agreements and now we
- 24 would like to revise that recommendation and include them
- 25 on the list for recommending a public hearing for them,

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- 1 and I'll deal with that more later, but I have revised --
- 2 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: If you could read the
- 3 resolution number that would help.
- 4 MS. MARLOWE: You bet, it's 2001-187. And I've
- 5 put some on the back table for the public as instructed
- 6 and I believe I'm supposed to give this stack to Deborah.
- 7 So with regards to the 21 companies now that we
- 8 are asking you to approve our recommendations to enter
- 9 into compliance agreements with, they're listed
- 10 alphabetically in the item, and the resolutions are all
- 11 identical except for one, which is the Multi-Clean
- 12 corporation and that resolution number is 2001-195.
- 13 They had asked for some specific language changes
- 14 in their compliance agreement, which we were negotiating
- 15 up until the last minute, I think, today. And she has for
- 16 you that slightly revised wording in their compliance
- 17 agreement, I think, Deborah. They're being passed out and
- 18 there are some on the back on table.
- 19 And their issues had to do with newly introduced
- 20 products and some more specific language having to do with
- 21 source reduction as an option. Other wise the agreements
- 22 are identical for all of these companies that we're
- 23 recommending for compliance agreements today.
- 24 In trying to be brief, I know it's been a long
- 25 meeting, unless you have specific questions about the

- 1 compliance agreements, themselves, I'd like to just ask
- 2 that you accept our recommendations and approve
- 3 resolutions.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 Linda is shaking her Head so I'm going to take
- 6 that as a yes. And we numerically it begins with
- 7 resolution 2001-184 and 185 but then we have no 186, so
- 8 then numerically sequentially after that we have 187
- 9 through 206 as compliance agreement resolutions that we're
- 10 asking that you approve today.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 12 Mr. Medina.
- 13 Aye.Am Aye. I'd like to move adoption of
- 14 Resolutions 2001-184, 185 and resolutions 2001-188 through
- 15 2001-208. I'd like to move adoption of the compliance
- 16 agreements with the listed companies for compliance years
- 17 '97, '98 and '99.
- MS. MARLOWE: Slight correction, Resolution 207
- 19 and 208 have to do with the public hearings.
- 20 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Have to do with
- 21 what?
- 22 MS. MARLOWE: Have to do with recommendation for
- 23 the public hearings not the compliance agreements. The
- 24 compliance agreements run through resolution number 206.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: 206.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Okay, up through 206.
- MS. MARLOWE: And he didn't mention 187.
- 3 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: No, we're going
- 4 to do that separately. Okay, I'll second that. Motion by
- 5 Mr. Medina seconded by Moulton-Patterson. Please call the
- 6 roll.
- 7 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- 8 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 9 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 11 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 12 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 13 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 14 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 15 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- Mr. Medina.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 19 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: No I just mean
- 20 did you want to be ready to do Resolution 2001-187,
- 21 revised, to approve.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I'd like to move approval
- 23 of resolution 2001-187 revised.
- 24 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And I'll second
- 25 that.

- 1 Please call the Roll. Or substitute the
- 2 previous -- can we substitute the previous roll call.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: That's fine with me.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: Absolutely.
- 5 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. Substitute
- 6 the previous roll call.
- 7 MS. MARLOWE: And then Resolution 207 and 208 are
- 8 also recommendations for public hearings along with
- 9 resolution 186 -- or 187, I mean.
- 10 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Yes, I'd like to move
- 12 Resolution 2001-207 and Resolution 2001-208.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: And I'll second
- 14 that.
- And substitute the previous roll call.
- Thank you very much. We're finished now?
- MS. MARLOWE: That works for me.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. And Thank
- 19 you Ms. Wohl.
- 20 And we'll move into the diversion.
- 21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: Good afternoon. Pat
- 22 Schiavo with the Diversion Planning and Local Assistance
- 23 Division. Item number 36 is consideration of staff
- 24 recommendation on the compliance of compliance order --
- 25 completion of compliance order IWMA BR99-81 and

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- 1 consideration of the 1997/98 Biennial review findings for
- 2 the source reduction and recycling element and household
- 3 hazardous waste element for the unincorporated Mono
- 4 County.
- 5 And Tabetha Willman of the Office of Local
- 6 Assistance will be making this presentation.
- 7 MR. WILLMAN: Good afternoon, Madam Chair and
- 8 Board Members. Again, my name is Tabetha Willman. I'm
- 9 with the Office of Local Assistance.
- 10 This item is in response to a compliance order
- 11 placed on the county of Mono for the 1995/1996 biennial
- 12 review. The county was placed on compliance as their
- 13 diversion rates did not reflect their program
- 14 implementation efforts.
- 15 A Board of Equalization audit and the Benton
- 16 Crossing Landfill found that the disposal tonnage for 1995
- 17 and 1996 was underreported. The county is submitting this
- 18 corrected tonnage for the Benton Crossing Landfill to
- 19 fulfill its compliance orders.
- 20 As a result of this corrected tonnage, the county
- 21 total disposal tonnage for the Benton Crossing Landfill
- 22 has been increased for 1996. Based upon staff's analysis
- 23 of the proposed correction the diversion rate for 1996 is
- 24 40 percent. However, because the disposal tonnage for
- 25 1995 was extremely underreported and the data still cannot

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- 1 be determined at this time, staff recommends that the rate
- 2 for 1995 be not determinable or ND.
- 3 In addition, the Board's disposal reporting
- 4 system staff have conducted site visits at the landfills
- 5 and have confirmed that beginning in 1996 the county
- 6 improved the accuracy of their reporting system. The
- 7 Office of Local Assistance staff has also visited the
- 8 jurisdiction and had the opportunity to see the disposal
- 9 facility and diversion programs in the area.
- 10 Programs implemented by the jurisdiction include
- 11 a procurement policy, a business waste reduction program,
- 12 residential dropoff and buyback centers, store recycling
- 13 programs, the concrete asphalt recycling program. In
- 14 addition, the county has begun working closely with the
- 15 Board's Office of Integrated Education to institute
- 16 teacher-training workshops.
- 17 Staff is determined that the program
- 18 implementation is adequate and the disposal reporting
- 19 system is greatly improved and therefore recommends the
- 20 Board accept the 1997/1998 biennial review.
- 21 Finally, the county has successfully completed
- 22 all requirements identified in its compliance order.
- 23 Therefore, staff recommends that the Board find that the
- 24 county has completed their compliance order.
- 25 Members from the county are here today to answer

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- 1 any questions. This concludes my presentation.
- 2 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 3 Questions, Mr. Eaton.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I have one. And it can
- 5 pertain to Mono, but Mr. Schiavo and Ms. Morgan and I want
- 6 to include Ms. Jordan in there. Do ever your divisions
- 7 talk? The fact that BOE says that they underreported,
- 8 does then the Board get that extra -- go back and charge
- 9 them for the underreported disposal?
- 10 If you're an audit and if you say you've got a
- 11 thousand tons. And then all of a sudden they go back and
- 12 they say well, you've got 1,500 tons, do we ever go back
- 13 and collect the 500 that they didn't pay us for in the
- 14 first place?
- And that would really be a coordination and I'm
- 16 not trying to be critical, but I mean we're seeing a lot
- 17 more of these base year adjustments, for instance. All of
- 18 sudden we're getting this real big increase and disposal
- 19 in generation. Do we ever go back and collect that money?
- 20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: I can't Say that I know
- 21 that we have. I would have to check with BOE.
- 22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: On a statewide basis if
- 23 you compare the Board of equalization of disposal tonnages
- 24 with the disposal reporting system, they align with-in one
- 25 percent and less than one percent on a statewide basis.

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1 BOARD MEMBER EATON: This is an audit that takes
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- 2 place subsequent to that publication. That's the
- 3 difference is what I'm trying to get at.
- 4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR JORDAN: We will certainly --
- 5 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I'd just ask if you'd go
- 6 back and check. I mean, if you'd get back to us, because
- 7 there's probably several, you know, \$1.34's out there.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair, just one thing,
- 10 and maybe the consultant can help with this. If they were
- 11 underreporting because they didn't have scales, they were
- 12 assessing a weight value on a yard of garbage, how were
- 13 they assessing their tonnage Mr. Greco.
- MR. GRECO: For the record, I'm Jim Greco an
- 15 independent consultant doing business as California Waste
- 16 Associates. There are six landfills in Mono county. And
- 17 I think the Benton Crossing Landfill, which is the subject
- 18 of the audit was determining their consumption of capacity
- 19 on the trench-fill method.
- Like quarterly, they would just observe how much
- 21 of it was full. And I think they applied a thousand
- 22 pounds per cubic yard diversion.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: In place.
- MR. GRECO: In place.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: All right, so was it free

- 1 disposal?
- 2 MR. GRECO: It was. In the early nineties --
- 3 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Never mind then, that's
- 4 fine.
- 5 MR. GRECO: None of these landfills were staffed,
- 6 gated, fenced.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: No, what I'm saying is it
- 8 goes -- I mean, what Mr. Eaton is asking is accurate,
- 9 because if a facility is saying that a yard of garbage
- 10 weighs some goofy number, right, a hundred pounds, and
- 11 they're not paying the fees, then they gain a competitive
- 12 advantage. We have one county that didn't have scales
- 13 that actually overreported, but paid the fees.
- 14 And then when they got scales, they found out
- 15 that they were in compliance with AB 939 but, you know, I
- 16 figure, hey, you pay the fee, you know it was honest deal.
- 17 Good program, put a scale in, get to compliance.
- 18 MR. GRECO: There's a scale now at Benton
- 19 Crossing that went into operation in '98 and there's three
- 20 other scales going in November 1st at the other three
- 21 small landfills.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So they base their BOE
- 23 payments on what they thought they put in place, not what
- 24 was coming across the scale.
- 25 MR. GRECO: Until the audit, then the auditor

- 1 determined with the County what more they should pay on
- 2 the basis of truck loads coming in and different types of
- 3 waste densities, and that was BOE.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: One more question, Mr.
- 5 Greco. I know they've talked about they're looking at
- 6 programs things like that. With this disposal going up
- 7 their diversion rate nondetect or going down, are they
- 8 putting programs in place so that when they get to come in
- 9 front of us for the goal year 2000, they are, you know,
- 10 working to get the diversion in compliance.
- 11 MR. GRECO: They are putting programs in place.
- 12 And I think what was noteworthy was I think one of the
- 13 staff visits in may, Mary Wilson was with the county and
- 14 with town and I was there too, and they were addressing
- 15 the contractors who had their annual monthly meeting and
- 16 they put in place a differential fee of bringing debris
- 17 into landfill so if they brought it in clean, they get a
- 18 discount rate. The contractors loved it, that was another
- 19 new program they added.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Cool.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. How
- 22 much are landfill scales?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: It depends. You have 35 or
- 24 70 footer, it depends. They're expensive. Very
- 25 expensive. And then it depends on the grade too. There's

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- 1 just a lot to it. It depends. It could cost you \$30,000.
- 2 It could cost you \$100,000.
- 3 MR. GRECO: If I can just add one quick comment.
- 4 Basically the tonnage level of Mono County, which is a
- 5 pretty big county is 25 tons a day. That's less than five
- 6 garbage trucks. I mean, it's small.
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay, thank you.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair?
- 9 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'd like to move adoption of
- 11 Resolution 2001-163, consideration of staff recommendation
- 12 of a completion of compliance order IWMA BR99-81 and
- 13 consideration of the 1997 biennial review finding for the
- 14 source reduction and recycling element and household
- 15 hazardous waste element for the unincorporated Mono
- 16 County.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 18 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. We
- 19 have a resolution by Mr. Jones seconded by Mr. Medina to
- 20 approve resolution 2001-163.
- 21 Please Call the roll.
- 22 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 24 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.

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1 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
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- 2 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 3 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 4 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 5 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Number 37.
- 7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: Item number 37 is
- 8 Consideration of staff recommendation on the Model Source
- 9 Reduction and Recycling Element. And Tabetha Willman will
- 10 also be presenting this item.
- 11 MR. WILLMAN: Good morning -- good afternoon
- 12 Madam Chair and Board Members. I'm Tabetha Willman with
- 13 the Office of Local assistance. I was lucky thinking on
- 14 my part, but I need to begin by letting you know that
- 15 there is a revised page. It's page 37-16 that will be
- 16 handed out. It's table 8 of the model source reduction
- 17 recycling element, which is the solid waste disposal
- 18 tonnage table.
- In that table the other organics category was
- 20 inadvertently deleted, so we caught that and added it back
- 21 in. So you'll be getting that revised page.
- 22 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: We have it, thank
- 23 you.
- 24 MR. WILLMAN: I am presenting to you for your
- 25 approval the model source reduction and recycling element.

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- 1 This model was developed to be used as a tool for newly
- 2 incorporated cities that must prepare their source
- 3 reduction and recycling elements as well as in response to
- 4 the SB 2202 provision that requires the Board to develop a
- 5 model for jurisdictions revising their source reduction
- 6 and recycling elements of -- the model is to be developed
- 7 by July 1, 2001.
- 8 This model will provide guidance on fulfilling
- 9 the statutory and regulatory source reduction and
- 10 recycling element content requirements. It was developed
- 11 using a combination of the Board's various existing
- 12 planning tools. The model will allow jurisdictions -- it
- 13 will allow a combination of the Board's various existing
- 14 planning tools.
- 15 A jurisdiction's source reduction and recycling
- 16 element will be able to be submitted in a streamline
- 17 format that is compatible with the Boards existing
- 18 planning databases.
- 19 By using this model jurisdictions will save
- 20 resources including cost and staff time in preparing and
- 21 submitting their source reduction and recycling elements.
- 22 Currently this model is available in hard copy or
- 23 can be sent electronically to any jurisdiction that
- 24 requests it. Board staff are also planning to make this
- 25 available electronically via theInternet to allow

- 1 jurisdictions to submit it electronically.
- 2 Staff is recommending that the Board approve the
- 3 model source reduction and recycling element. Thank you
- 4 for your time. I'd be happy to answer any questions.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 6 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. Jones.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: First, I want to commend
- 8 staff for all the work and move adoption of resolution
- 9 2001-164, consideration of a staff recommendation on the
- 10 model source reduction and recycling element.
- 11 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON:
- 12 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: I'll second that motion.
- 13 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. I'll
- 14 be voting for it, but I also wanted to say, you know, I
- 15 really liked it, and I really liked that you put in the
- 16 noticing of public hearings and CEQA, because I understand
- 17 from my staff that that was often left off, so thank you.
- 18 Very nice job.
- 19 Please call the roll.
- 20 SECRETARY VILLA: Eaton?
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Aye.
- 22 SECRETARY VILLA: Jones?
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 24 SECRETARY VILLA: Medina?
- 25 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.

- 1 SECRETARY VILLA: Paparian?
- 2 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 3 SECRETARY VILLA: Moulton-Patterson?
- 4 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 5 Okay, Mr. Miiller, number 40, discussion of
- 6 pending litigation.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Legislation.
- 8 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you. It's
- 9 late. Can you tell us about litigation too.
- 10 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: I'd rather not
- 11 actually.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: It's legislation that's
- 13 going to cause litigation.
- 14 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: Good afternoon Madam
- 15 Chair and members. My name is Mark Miiller, Assistant
- 16 Director, Office of Legislation And external affairs.
- 17 I briefly want to give you an update on
- 18 legislation. First, I want to report that the Senate is
- 19 forming a select Committee on landfills, and Senator
- 20 Romero will be chairing that committee.
- 21 We'll be meeting with her staff, as soon as that
- 22 is done, to find out the direction of that Committee, what
- 23 they want to accomplish in order to bring that back to you
- 24 also. That just happened on Monday.
- 25 As you know the deadline for Bills to pass out of

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- 1 the house origin has Come and gone. And I want to just
- 2 real briefly run by you the two-year bills and the bills
- 3 that are still moving.
- 4 The two year bills include SB 243 previously
- 5 discussed. That is Senator Kuehl's measure on radioactive
- 6 waste in landfills. That's a two-year bill. Also Senator
- 7 Chesbro's SB 1069 dealing with an ADF for plastics.
- 8 That's a two-year bill, as is AB 400 Simitian's rubberized
- 9 asphalt concrete bill.
- 10 The bills that are still moving, our bill, of
- 11 course, AB 1187. That bill is moving. And pursuant to
- 12 your direction yesterday, we will be seeking the amendment
- 13 you requested to increase the Board's authority to \$5
- 14 million for household hazardous waste grants.
- 15 Chavez's AB 173 dealing with inert waste, that
- 16 bill is still moving. AB 709 is from Mr. Wayne's San
- 17 Diego Burn Dumps Bill. That bill is till alive and well.
- AB 1400 the Cogdil's Yosemite compost bill. That
- 19 bill was approved, but the appropriation was cut back
- 20 from -- I mean I believe to \$900,000. AB 88 is Costa's
- 21 nuisance odors bill from compost facilities. That bill
- 22 was amended yesterday in the Assembly Natural Resources
- 23 Committee. I haven't seen those amendments yet. But I
- 24 believe rather than delete the sunset date on the
- 25 provision all together it extended it pursuant to our

- 1 adopting necessary regulations, much the way the AB 173
- 2 was amended in the same committee.
- 3 Senator Torlakson's SB 373 is moving through the
- 4 process. We're working with that office to get the cost
- 5 resolved in that bill. It has a \$2 million appropriation.
- 6 And I will be working closely with that author to get that
- 7 resolved. I know there was great concern to the members.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Did that whole \$2 million
- 9 coming out of the IWMA?
- 10 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MILLER: It's got 2 million
- 11 that comes from the bottle bill program, 2 million that
- 12 comes from AIWMA then it says that of that 4 million, 3
- 13 million has to reimburse schools for costs.
- 14 My understanding is that that was an amendment
- 15 that was put on the author. It was not an amendment
- 16 that they requested, but the Appropriations Committee put
- 17 that amendment in the bill when it passed the office
- 18 suspense file.
- 19 So we're working closely with the author and with
- 20 the sponsor on Californians against waste to try and get
- 21 that resolved. We're working on that.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I mean, this program also is
- 23 going to include how many people? I mean how many of our
- 24 staff do they think that they're going to get.
- 25 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MILLER: Well, under the bill

- 1 right now, not much if any.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: For \$5 million bucks.
- 3 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: Well, the way it's
- 4 written right now, it's three million have to be used to
- 5 reimburse the schools for their costs, so that was only
- 6 one million. And then it says of the Department of
- 7 Transportation's two million, that two million has to be
- 8 used for their program.
- 9 So the bill is tremendously flawed in the way
- 10 it's written right now. The author isn't intending to put
- 11 a big program on the Board. He's basically saying that
- 12 the Board has an this Board program that's trying to
- 13 create to provide guidance to schools and how they can
- 14 increase their waste reduction efforts, and wants us to --
- 15 the bill is intended to facilitate the communication
- 16 between the Board and the schools. And it's kind of --
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I thought we had a whole
- 18 program that was schools. I have a question, because this
- 19 is getting me more nervous by the moment.
- 20 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: Likewise.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: If there is a three and a
- 22 half million pay back to schools, 2 million of that's
- 23 supposed to come from the IWMA fund.
- 24 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: It's three million
- 25 of which two million comes from the Department of

- 1 Conservation, two million comes from us for a total of
- 2 four. Of that four million, three million goes to
- 3 reimburse schools.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay. What are the cities
- 5 that have put together multi-million dollar programs to
- 6 meet AB 939?
- 7 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Often working
- 8 schools.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yeah, I mean their funds
- 10 aren't reimbursed. I mean, we need to really think this
- 11 through. We've got all -- I mean 587 jurisdictions, or
- 12 whatever it is, 589, that have had to comply with AB 939
- 13 without any funds, and now we've got a bill that was
- 14 supposed -- when it was work with the schools and try to
- 15 help them, I didn't have a problem, It would have fit into
- 16 what Clint Whitney was doing.
- But three and a half million dollars, then you're
- 18 asking cities and counties that are paying fees to us
- 19 through the landfill, and then spending money for
- 20 diversion programs to fund a repayment back to the
- 21 schools. Somehow somebody ain't connecting the dots here.
- 22 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: I want to stress
- 23 that this is not what the author intended to do. The bill
- 24 was amended -- the amendment was put in this bill.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: But Michael, how many times

- 1 do the authors get a bill high-jacked and it still passes?
- 2 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: This one the author
- 3 has committed to try to resolve. We're working with the
- 4 staff very closely. This is not an amendment that the
- 5 author wants and we're working closely with the staff to
- 6 get it resolved.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'm confident you're working
- 8 closely with their Chairman to make sure that this
- 9 thing -- because I've been getting updates once in a
- 10 while, but I mean this could be disastrous.
- 11 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: Yes.
- 12 Also another bill is moving that I want to make
- 13 you aware of, SB 1127, Karnette. It's a bill that deals
- 14 with polystyrene. I want to raise that as an issue
- 15 because you just, on Item 34, discussed the prospective
- 16 rate. Senator Karnette has asked us if we had any
- 17 amendments that we wanted to pursue in plastics
- 18 legislation. If you wanted to do legislation on that, I
- 19 could suggest this to her. I wanted to make you aware of
- 20 that option, if you wanted to.
- 21 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Any questions?
- 22 BOARD MEMBER EATON: I have one, Mr. Chavez --
- 23 Assemblyman Chavez's Bill where is it positioned?
- 24 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: It's in Senate
- 25 Environmental Quality Committee. I believe it's scheduled

- 1 for a July 2nd hearing.
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: That's the inert bills which
- 3 extends the inert. You should be aware of the fact, if
- 4 you're not, that contrary to what was the agreement with
- 5 this Board, the prime sponsor of that bill, Waste
- 6 Management, had not taken a different position with
- 7 regards to inerts. And my understanding is whether not
- 8 that codified language can affect the version, it will be
- 9 there is my understanding.
- 10 Is that right, Mr. Schiavo?
- 11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR SCHIAVO: It's starting to appear
- 12 that way yeah.
- BOARD MEMBER EATON: Yeah, that was not the
- 14 agreement.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That was not the agreement.
- 16 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Any other
- 17 questions for Mr. Miiller.
- 18 Mr. Miiller, I'm sure you have Emailed that to
- 19 us, but, you know, the summary -- could we have one of
- 20 those of those bills. I know you're updating it.
- 21 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: All of these bills,
- 22 we can get that for you.
- 23 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Madam Chair.
- 25 CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes, Mr. Jones.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think going off of what
- 2 Mr. Eaton said, you know, on this inert bill, they got the
- 3 thing in. They got the fee suspended through Senator
- 4 Chesbro's bill. The agreement was going to be treat this
- 5 not as -- it won't be disposal. It won't be diversion.
- 6 You know, just leave it alone because there's all these
- 7 others, and we were trying to work through that. And now
- 8 we get a form that shows 475,000 tons. It's almost a half
- 9 a million tons of diversion that gets assigned to
- 10 jurisdictions, to put dirt into a pit and rice and
- 11 concrete and brick.
- 12 And that changes the rules. You know, I mean we
- 13 need to really be kept up to that, because at some point I
- 14 think this Board has got to say we ain't going there. So
- 15 I mean to keep the fee off and then get diversion credit,
- 16 now I've been told that that was a mistake, so we'll see,
- 17 you know.
- 18 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR MIILLER: Would it be
- 19 appropriate if I sat down with Mr. Schiavo and got all the
- 20 information and shared It with the Senate Environmental
- 21 Quality Committee? It sounds like that's what you're
- 22 asking me.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think at least to explore
- 24 that with, you know, people involved and make sure that,
- 25 you know, hey if it was a mistake, but if it was half a

1 million tons of diversion credit, you know, and they don't 2 pay fees that's too many wins. CHAIRPERSON MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. 4 Miiller. Is there any public comment prior to adjournment? 6 Then this meeting is over. Thank you very much. (Thereupon the California Integrated Waste Management Board adjourned at 4:30 p.m.)

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